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JANUARY SOWER

YEAR END REPORTS

The Chairman of each board and organization is asked to turn in a Year End Report to the Church office. The most convenient way to turn these in is by email.

school@zionkearney.org

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Help! Once again, your church needs your assistance. Many thanks to all who came out to put up the tree and decorations, but now all need to be taken down and stored away until next year. Join us Saturday, January 10, at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary. Generally, the whole process takes about an hour. Men are needed particularly to take apart the tree and carry the heavy boxes to storage. Questions? Talk to Carol DeLoach (308-627-2279). Thank you!

MISSIONS

The first quarter (January-March) missions will support Lutherans for Life. To donate to this worthy cause, you give online via ACH or use a specially marked envelope located in the narthex. Either way, please clearly designate your gift to this mission.

MARY MARTHA

Mary Martha will hold their meeting on January 12th in the fellowship hall.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Council will be meeting Tuesday, January 20th at 7pm.

ADULT CHOIR

We will be taking off the month of January. See everyone in February!

SCRIP CARDS

Scrip cards are still available during this time. Visit the office during normal hours to purchase your gift cards.

BIBLE READING CARDS

A new set of Bible reading cards for the new year can be picked up in the Church entryway. Each card is a tool to keep track of your Bible reading progress as you mark each chapter you have read in 2026. God works through His word.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Shane Eckhoff	1/1
Jeanne Wollberg	1/1
Jamie Marquardt	1/2
Rev. Bill Ohlmann	1/2
Todd Koopman	1/4
Aaron Hockemeier	1/6
Alivia Peebles	1/6
Titus Gaunt	1/7
Emma Rosenthal	1/7
Bailey Hockemeier	1/8
William Hodgson	1/11
Jane Schmid	1/13
Madison Huryta	1/16
Holden Schake	1/18
Mary Ann Mertz	1/19
Adam Helmbrecht	1/23
Lexie Eckhoff	1/23
Nicole Halvorsen	1/23
Trevor Edwards	1/24
Frederick France	1/26
Dennis Holtz	1/27
Carol Gaunt	1/29
Raymond Herron	1/29
Jan Hatfield	1/30

JANUARY RADIO BROADCAST

Date	Radio
1/4	
1/11	
1/18	
1/25	

Please help Zion spread the Gospel! Consider sponsoring (or going in with another family) one of our radio broadcasts. The cost is \$162.

***The sign-up sheets for radio broadcast and altar flowers for 2026 are posted. Please pick your date early.**



*Where our Triune God strengthens us
through His mercy in faith toward Him
and in fervent love toward one another.*

JANUARY ALTAR FLOWERS

We have all the Sunday's in January available! Please consider signing up for altar flowers to beautify the sanctuary during the worship services.

Date	Altar Flowers
1/4	
1/11	
1/18	
1/25	

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

No January Anniversaries to report.

OUR MEMBERS RESIDING IN CARE FACILITIES

Broadwell Senior Living - 617 22 nd Ave	Betty Mustard
Central NE Veterans' Home - 4510 E. 56 th St.	Ivan Bombeck
Homestead - 4205 6 th Ave	Pat Flodine
Mother Hull-125 East 23 rd	Evelyn Heiden
	Pauline Jacobson
Mt. Carmel - 412 West 18th	Vaughn Albrecht
St. Luke Good Samaritan - 2201 E 32 nd St	Gary Albers

School News

✝ **Registration:** Registration for the 2026-2027 School is open to the public. Please enroll early to have your spot. We are filling up fast! Tell your family and friends about our wonderful school and encourage them to enroll.

✝ **MAPS Testing:** Students will be taking MAP tests the week of January 12th-16th. Please be sure they get plenty of sleep, have a good breakfast and are on time!

✝ **No School** -There will be no school on Friday, January 30th - Teacher in-service.

✝ **PEACE Auction:** All Zion Lutheran School families should have received our P.E.A.C.E. Auction and Dinner donation letter in the mail. We ask for your support on this important fundraiser. A lot of help is required to have a successful auction. Below is a current list of ways you can volunteer:

- Collect auction items from businesses that have items to be picked up

- Call businesses to request donations

- Talk to your place of business and to see if they are able to donate to the auction. Close to 500 area businesses have also received the donation letter but personal connections usually help in receiving donations.

- Bundle and assemble silent auction baskets

- Donate to the class baskets. Refer to the blue paper received in the mail for class themes.

- Attend the auction! It will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Center, March 14th at 5:30pm. Reservations are due by March 9th. Reservation/Contribution forms are available in the office.

- You can also partake in the online silent auction the week leading to the live auction at PEACE2026.ggo.bid.

If you are interested in helping out with the auction in any way, please stop by the office or email zionkearney@hotmail.com. Thank you.

✝ **Give Where You Live** - Thank you to all of those that participated in Give Where You Live. We couldn't be the great school we are without your support this day and every day!

✝ **Zion Basketball** - Basketball practices for the boys has begun. Since this is a club team, all Zion members in grades 5th-8th who attend public school are welcome to be on the team. Please contact Coach DeLoach or Mrs. Marquardt for more information.

2026

JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	01 New Year's Day Office Closed	02 Office Open 8a-12p	03 Heiden Family - FH
04 9:00am Divine Service 10:15am Adult Bible Study 10:15am Sunday School 10:30AM Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00p Divine Service	05 Office Open	06 School Resumes 1:30pm Sleeping Mats	07 8:30 Chapel 4:30p Midweek Bible Stories	08	09	10 9:00am Christmas Décor Takedown
11 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30AM Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 1:00p DeLaet Family - FH 5:00p Divine Service	12 7:00pm Mary Martha	13 1:30pm Sleeping Mats 7:00pm Bd. of Ed 7:00pm Bd. of Elders 7:00pm Bd of Trustees	14 8:30 Chapel 4:30p Midweek Bible Stories	15 7:00pm Men's Bible Study	16	17
18 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30AM Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00p Divine Service	19	20 1:30pm Sleeping Mats 7:00pm Church Council	21 8:30 Chapel 4:30p Midweek Bible Stories	22	23	24
25 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30AM Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00p Divine Service	26	27 1:30pm Sleeping Mats	28 8:30 Chapel 4:30p Midweek Bible Stories	29	30 No School - Teacher In-Service Office Closed	31

Zion Service Calendar

Time of Service	Acolyte	Elder	Usher Captain	Engineer	Announcer	Altar Guild
Sunday, January 4 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Miriam Gaunt	Keith Nuttelman	Ed DeLaet	Jamie Marquardt	Carol Kreutzer	Sue Bartels Shirley Oertwig
Sunday, January 11 9:00 a.m. Divine Service Baptism of Our Lord	Landen Eckhoff	Bruce Brooks	Chuck Zehendner	Jared Nuttelman	Brooke Fisher	Sue Bartels Shirley Oertwig
Sunday, January 18 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Colton Zehendner	Dan Oertwig	Andy Wollberg	Eric Rosenthal	Lonna Gronewoller	Sue Bartels Shirley Oertwig
Sunday, January 25 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Brynne Fisher	Eric Rosenthal	Mike Wilkens	Matt Hodgson	Carol Kreutzer	Sue Bartels Shirley Oertwig

