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# May Sower 2023

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM PASTOR DELOACH

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A few days ago, I received a divine call to serve as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Des Moines, Iowa. It is my duty to prayerfully consider this sacred call entrusted to me by God through the members of Trinity. As such, Carol and I plan to spend a day at Trinity next week to meet with some of the staff and members.

As I weigh God's call through Trinity and my present call serving the saints at Zion Lutheran Church and School, please pray for Carol and me and your fellow saints at Zion and at Trinity, also. Please consider two questions and share your answers with me in whatever way you feel most comfortable:

1. What are ministry opportunities that are unmet or upcoming at Zion?
2. Lord willing, do you believe that we can accomplish these things together? Why or why not?

Please ask our Heavenly Father to grant peace and patience throughout this process and that His will be done for all whom we serve together, trusting that "for those who love God all things work together for good, for those are called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28) I hope to announce my decision on or before Sunday, May 21.

May the Holy Spirit sanctify my deliberations and uphold both congregations according to His promise. May the Lord Almighty direct all our days and deeds in His peace.

Your Servant in Christ,  
Pr. DeLoach

## ZION MEMBERS 2023 GRADUATING CLASS

Zion would like to recognize the members of the 2023 high school graduating class. You can achieve anything: Lexie Eckhoff, Reilly Fisher, Kassidy Halvorsen, Haylie Knott, Caden Nabity and Sophia Strong.

## MARY MARTHA

Mary Martha will be taking hat and playing card donations until the National Convention in late June.

Mary Martha will be meeting on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p in the fellowship hall. Jackie Ohlmann and Wanda Glanzer will be serving.

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study will meet on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the church.

## ALTON SCHMITT CARD SHOWER

Alton Schmitt will be turning 92 on May 19<sup>th</sup>. His family would like to have a card shower for him. His address is below.

Alton Schmitt  
2900 Grand Ave Lot 150  
Kearney NE 68847

## ZION CHOIR

Adult choir will take a break until early September.

## MAY RADIO BROADCAST

5-7	Dan & Shirley Oertwig Anniversary
5-14	Ed & Connie DeLaet
5-21	Marian Allwardt
5-28	Lee & Phyllis Wells, in memory of loved ones

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

## MAY ALTAR FLOWERS

5-7	
5-14	
5-21	
5-28	

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars to attend Zion Lutheran's Vacation Bible School July 16-20, 2023 from 6:00-8:00pm. It is open to any student from preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We will start sign-up later this month.



## SCRIP CARDS

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

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Bruce & Joni Brooks	5/4
Daniel & Shirley Oertwig	5/8
Lincoln & Emily Baker	5/9
Edward & Connie DeLaet	5/13
Aaron & Bailey Hockemeier	5/26
Randall & Judy Ahrens	5/28
David & Joyce Hartman	5/28
Adam & Chelsea Herrera	5/30
Josh & Angela Jorgensen	5/30
Roger & Rachel Riekenberg	5/31

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

Carol Herron	5/3
Kenzie Ahrens	5/4
Lincoln Florang	5/4
Robert Vos	5/4
Ann Fattig	5/5
Sharon Hockemeier	5/6
James Catterson	5/8
Donald Helmbrecht	5/8
John Musfelt	5/8
Aadi Silwal	5/10
Jackie Ohlmann	5/10
Sophia Strong	5/11
Marian Allwardt	5/17
Michelle Millsap	5/17
Alton Schmitt	5/19
James Hatfield	5/21
Lewis Westman	5/21

Addison Splittgerber	5/23
Henry Hodgson	5/24
Phyllis Wells	5/24
Mandi Blessing	5/25
Seth Long	5/26
Tyler Stoltenberg	5/26
Landen Eckhoff	5/27
Katrina Ronning	5/27
Tom Barefoot	5/31

## OUR MEMBERS RESIDING IN CARE FACILITIES

Cambridge Court - 4107 Central Ave	Pat Flodine
Mt. Carmel - 412 West 18th	Vaughn Albrecht
Northridge - 5410 17 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Norrine Rockwell
Mother Hull-125 East 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lyle Colsden
Prairie View Gardens - 1705 Prairie View Pl	Evelyn Heiden
Christian Homes - Holdrege, NE	Phyllis Willuweit
Brookstone Meadows - Elkhorn, NE	Norman Abels

## SCHOOL NEWS

- ✠ **BEST OF KEARNEY:** Zion has won Best of Kearney in the Preschool category again! Thank you to everyone who voted. The newspaper publication will go out on May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- ✠ **PRE-K ACHIEVEMENT:** An Achievement Ceremony for the Zion Pre-Kindergarten classes is scheduled for the following days/times:
  - Gaunt Pre-Kindergarten classes: **Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** in the school gym.
  - Halva Pre-Kindergarten class: **Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** in the school gym.
  - Families are invited and encouraged to attend.

- ✝ **8<sup>TH</sup> GRADUATION:** 8th Grade graduation will be Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the school gym.



Our graduating 8<sup>th</sup> grade class for 2023 is: Jarren Blattner, Scarlett Bragg, Grace Burger, Selah Carson, Miriam Gaunt, Bailey Helmbrecht, Ella Kozera, Olivia Kozera, Joseph Kusek, Colton Larson, Samuel Nikkila, William Rasmussen, Chloe Rohwer, Asher Splittgerber, Hannah Torres, Jamie Wilkens, Josiah Wood and Cooper Young.

- ✝ **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:** School will dismiss for this school year on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am. No lunch will be served. Parents are welcome to join us for closing chapel at 10:30am.
- ✝ **2022-2023 REGISTRATION:** Registration is still open for the 2023-2024 school year. MWF preschool, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade are full. There are openings in TTH preschool, as well as both Pre-K classes. Contact the office with any questions and/or updates on registration!
- ✝ **PLANT SALE RESULTS:** Thank you for all the support with our plant sale. Our school reached our goal of \$30,000. We actually sold over \$40,000! Thank you so much for your hard work. The school earned the inflatable obstacle course. The 1<sup>st</sup> grade was the top-selling class and the Kindergarten class had the highest average per seller. Over the course of the sale, the top seller from each week was able to participate in the money long jump. The winners are as follows: Week 1: Colt Schwarz ; Week 2: Owen Larsen ; Week 3: Jarren Blattner ; Week 4: Chase Porter ; Week 5: Madison Vetter.

2023

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00pm Divine Service	01	02	03 8:30am Chapel	04	05 No School - Heartland Field Day	06
07 9:00am Confirmation Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00pm Divine Service	08 7:00p Mary Martha	09 1:30 Sleeping Mats 7:00p Board of Ed 7:00 Board of Elders 7:00 Board of Trustees	10 8:30am Chapel	11	12 7:00p K-8th Spring Musical	13
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28 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM 5:00pm Divine Service	29 Memorial Day Office Closed	30 1:30 Sleeping Mats	31	01	02	03

## ZION SERVICE CALENDAR

Time of Service	Acolyte	Elder	Usher Captain	Engineer	Announcer	Altar Guild
<b>Sunday, May 7</b> 9:00 a.m. Divine Service Confirmation	Makenna Starkey	Ken Hockemeier	Fred Flessner	Jamie Nikodym	Lonna Gronewoller	Shirley Helmbrecht Chelsea Herrera
<b>Sunday, May 14</b> 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Grace Burger	Nathan Gaunt	Steve Junge	Jared Nuttelman	Carol Kreutzer	Shirley Helmbrecht Chelsea Herrera
<b>Sunday, May 21</b> 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Lexie Eckhoff	Keith Nuttelman	Andy Wollberg	Eric Rosenthal	Brooke Fisher	Shirley Helmbrecht Chelsea Herrera
<b>Sunday, May 28</b> 9:00 a.m. Divine Service	Jace Blattner	Bruce Brooks	Mike Wilkens	Reilly Fisher	Lonna Gronewoller	Shirley Helmbrecht Chelsea Herrera

