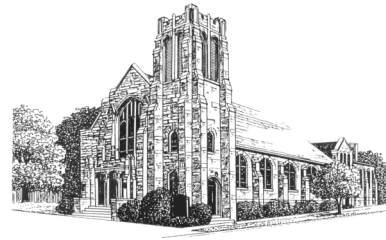


ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Zion's Future is in our Hands.....Conclusion

For the past several months I have been writing to you about Zion and our responsibility to plan for the future of the congregation. I have entertained you all with stories from my family's history as a way of sharing how my past has shaped me and provided me with a structure from which to leave a legacy for my family. I am invested heavily into my family legacy and understand that while the new generations may not personally know their past, they need to understand that part of them comes from those past generations.

As with my personal legacy, Zion also must plan to pass on its legacy to our future generations. Like a family tree, Zion's building is the rooted structure from which the branches of our congregational families sprout. It has a significant impact on our present as well as our future because its existence places us squarely within the community in which we live and worship. Zion's building provides a solid structure from which we can pass along Zion's traditions and history, allowing future generations to embrace those traditions from the past that help them shape their future congregational identity.

One of the best ways to secure Zion's legacy is to ensure that Zion's building is structurally sound and that its facilities are useable and safe. But can we realistically accomplish this?

Zion has always found a way to accomplish large tasks that at times seemed to be insurmountable. Rising to the occasion is what Zion does best.

Back in the 1970's, our congregation undertook a major renovation of the nave and the installation of the Kney organ, while accomplishing a major roof replacement project.

Through ZARP, we have invested close to \$400,000 in upgrading the building's access, enhancing our large social hall and removing our old and costly parish house. This was the first major investment Zion has made in its facility for many years and it was well worth the investment we made.

However, when we made those past commitments, our congregation was quite a bit different than it is now. Our budget was much more robust, supporting two full time pastors. Our membership attendance at worship was significantly larger than our current numbers and our future looked more secure.

We are now facing several large and costly projects that we need to address. These projects do not enhance, but they are necessary to protect the future structural integrity of our facility. In addition, these projects will provide needed safety improvements and add energy efficiency which will help offset future energy costs to our budget.

The property committee and I have been wrestling with how to address Zion's building issues for many months. Given our current attendance and budget size, it is clear that our building is far too large for our present congregation to support. We wonder if investing more time and financial resources into our building is practical. But we keep coming back to the fact that our building is where the roots of our traditions lie. We have been waiting for the right time to engage you all in a discussion about these critical projects. That time is now at hand.

The property committee has acquired bids for three major building projects:

Project number one is looking at a much needed upgrade of Zion's kitchen. While functional, the kitchen has some safety issues as its floor, ceiling and electrical systems is in serious need of upgrading. Price tag for this work is \$58,918.09.

Project number two concerns replacing the slate on the nave roof. After a recent inspection, we were informed that we have about two years left on the current roof's life. The roof was last installed in 1972 and has had a 50 year run. Again a safety issue is involved as the slate has become worn and brittle and has begun to fall off of the roof's steep pitch. There are signs of damage to the roof's wooden underside that will need repair and there is also some indication that the roof and its valleys may still be causing the ongoing water leaks we have had in the front entrance to the nave. Replacing the slate with a more modern composite material will save dollars and give the roof another 50 years of life. Price tag for this work is \$270,425.00.

Project number three addresses fifty-eight of the buildings aging windows. While looking at restoration costs of all of the church's stained glass windows, the committee discovered that there may be some cost savings to replacing the stained glass windows that are located in the office area and stair wells with frosted glass would save a great deal of money. A project to replace all the buildings windows, except those in the nave area, with energy efficient frosted glass and composite framing materials will provide maintenance free weather protection and reduce utility costs. Price tag for this work is \$154,091.00.

If you are doing the math, our total cost for these three projects will be \$483,516.09.

After just finishing the ZARP project in 2021, starting a new fund raising campaign to address these needed renovations is not the most appealing option for the committee.

Fortunately, a champion has emerged from the congregation with a legacy gift that is large enough to address all three of these projects with some left over money to contribute to Zion's endowment fund. We are currently in anticipation of receiving this legacy gift of \$502,000 that, once secured, could be used to fund our much needed building projects and increase the balance of endowment fund.

So, now we must decide what to do.

The property committee is requesting that a special meeting of the voting members of the congregation be called to discuss these projects and provide support for moving forward with their undertaking. The committee will ask that Zion Council set a date for this meeting and properly announce the meeting to the congregation at the June council meeting. Assuming council's OK, we hope to have direction on these projects before the fall of 2022.

In-Person Worship Attendance and On-line Viewing Last Month

<u>Service Dates</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>On-Line Viewing</u>
April 30 and May 1	18	43	77
May 7 and 8	14	32	101
May 14 and 15	17	32	104
May 21 and 22	12	47	95

Members of Zion's Family,

As you may, or may not have heard, our sexton, Jerry Ruffner, plans to retire at the end of the year. The work that Jerry has done and continues to do is indispensable to our church family. Due to Jerry's fastidious organizational skills, he has compiled a journal of his many duties. This journal will be a valuable resource for his successor.

If there is anyone in our church family who would like to be considered for the position, starting in 2023, please contact Rik Wissinger @ 724-840-2335.

Secret Meetings at Zion?..... Heaven Forbid

At our April council meeting, a comment was made about Zion having closed committee meetings.

Zion Council wants to be clear about this: There are NO meetings held by any of Zion's committees that are not open for any member of the congregation to attend.

Zion's Administrative and Finance committee and Zion Council do restrict voting on floor motions to the duly elected members of those groups as outlined in our constitution. However, any member of Zion is welcome, and in fact encouraged, to attend these meetings. The meeting dates and times are published in Zion's newsletter each month.

ALL committee meetings are open to all Zion members and again all are encouraged to attend and lend guidance and support as Zion manages the committee business of our congregation.

Many of our committees have memberships that are few in number and anyone who wishes to attend would be very welcome to do so.

If you would like to pick a hymn for an upcoming service, the Worship and Music committee is a great place to do that (There is often wine and cheese at these meetings so think about stopping by).

PRAY for those who suffer oppression, death, and tragedy. Please pray for those who travel. Please pray for those who serve in the armed forces and for their families. Pray for peace for all peoples.

Remember all those requesting prayer: Carl, Dorina, Heather, Karl Martini, Dorrina Martini, Jeremiah Hileman, Bob Tierney, Tom Hollern, Christian Santos, Akou Ester, Dan Howard, Chris Howard, Tamie Blank, Linda Malin, Jeff Davis, Paula Miller, Shawn Otto, Tom & Jane Williams, Sheelagh McAtee, Scott Potterack, Tom Krapsho, Chris Howard, Tom Williams, Deb Cosgrove, Pam Laney & Family, Hannah Rising, Rylan Rummel, Donald Dustin, Sharon Twaddle, Paul Davis, Loretta Piper, Jenn Rising, Bishop Lozano, Jessica (Chapman) Badowski, Prisca Maier, Jim Chapman, Sande Shotts, Ruth, Cliff, B. Tamski, Adam Chilenski, Dennis Turner, Kristine Anderson Volpatti, Gene Shotts, Tom Bush (Becky Slade's brother), Dominic Yensi, Dave Malin, Tom Brown, Dave Nycum, Karen Davis, Susan Butchkoski, Lonnie Cogar, Jeannine, Petras Family, George Schulze, Denny Swanson, Jr, Martha Chapman, Paolo Schianchi, Ron Anderson, Billie Kurtz-King, Bill Johnston, Liesl Andrie, Peter Broad, Bob Reifsteck, Bob Butchkoski, Nancy, Abby Bowser, Jim Muller, Royce Walters, Rochelle Calvetti, Jacqueline Davis, Judy Matsko, Kim Walls, Katrina Albright, Quinn Santini, Heidi Good, Lisa Vavro, Elaine Park Davis, Leonard Black, Nolle Battick, Ronda Leasure, Janice & Rich Olsen, Linda Kanyan, Annah Hill, Gene Hartzell, Guella Family, Betty Nicolette.

For all those serving in the Military and those who have served, especially: Zachery Horner ((grandson of Shirley Horner), Maria Dinuzio, Mark Collins, Stephen Davis, 1st Lt. Chad Beighley (nephew of Dory & Ken Campbell), Matthew McEldowney (grandson of Richard & Shirley Bush), Corey Feretti, Franklin Feretti.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE HOME-BOUND AND MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES, KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Roberta Buchanan, Geraldine Shatzer, Marietta (Mo) Foltz, Marie Campbell, Royce Walters, John Carloni, Bea Ruth.

GIVING REPORT: MONTH OF MAY

Needed for May operating budget:	\$ 13,106.25
Received in May:	<u>\$ 11,911.80</u>
Amount Still Due for May:	\$ 1,184.45
Does not include the end of the month giving	

Follow Up To Recent Pledge Letters

The Stewardship committee recently sent out letters to those of us who provided pledges in support of Zion's 2022. The letters were seen by the committee as a way of communicating and updating you on the status of your pledge for 2022. We asked that you compare the pledge amount that we recorded for you with what you contributed to make sure that we were accurately stating your first quarter Current and Benevolence gift.

We received some responses from you. We want to thank you for those responses because it gave us an understanding that there were some differences in what we recorded as Current and Benevolence and what you understood to be your gift to the budget.

These differences were caused by the committee's failure to better explain what we were requesting pledges for. Our intent was to seek pledges for Zion's 2022 budget or Current and Benevolence giving. What we in fact received in some cases was your **TOTAL** pledge to Zion's ministries. Those pledges included generous gifts to both Current and Benevolence AND other Dedicated Giving to be directed to special needs accounts.

We apologize for this confusion and we will make the necessary corrections to our pledge cards for the 2023 budget appeal.

In the meantime we want to clarify that our quarterly budget pledge letters **ONLY** contained the amounts that were recorded as gifts by you to the Current and Benevolence budget campaign and **NOT** the total amount that you have contributed to all of Zion's ongoing ministries.

Your total gifts to Zion are recorded and available to you at any time and we encourage you to continue to question our recording if you see a discrepancy.

As a review, we have reprinted below the explanation of our three categories of giving. If you have further questions on your pledge please don't hesitate to contact the church office and someone will respond to you concerns.

Current and Benevolence giving supports Zion's current expenses. Personnel, utilities, insurance, ongoing Zion ministries and general day to day expenses are supported through this. This is the giving that we, as the congregation, promised to support at our annual meeting. We rarely see obvious physical changes to Zion because of current and benevolence giving, but it keeps our doors open and the lights on.

Dedicated Giving has a certain appeal because we get to decide how our contribution is spent. Programs like world hunger and the food pantry offer opportunity for us to reach out to the wider church and community, while dedicated contributions like Lutherlyn scholarships and instrumental music provide opportunity to enhance our younger members' church experience and our worship services. This giving is critical to allowing us to enhance Zion's broader ministry and support special projects to improve our facility.

Legacy Giving allows us to have one last opportunity to support Zion. Zion has an Endowment fund established to receive these types of gifts or they can be given as memorials for specific purposes (like the Helen Myers music fund) or as undesignated memorials where a committee of our fellow members decide what projects have a need or where best to invest the contributions for availability for future use. (Our current constitution calls for 10% of all undesignated memorial gifts to be invested in our Endowment fund). Either way, Zion is the beneficiary of the generosity of the givers and its future is better secured through this forward thinking giving.

Thankfully, many of our members participate generously in both the **Current and Benevolence** and **Dedicated Giving** options. What we want to do, moving forward, is better educate us all on the third option, **Legacy Giving**. This will be a key component in Zion's strategic plan as we look for ways to secure Zion's future. Give it some thought. We will be sharing more information of **Legacy Giving** in the coming months.

Zion's First Quarter Budget Report

In reviewing of Zion's current and benevolence giving through March 31, 2022, Zion's income is running ahead of anticipated pledge amounts by 47%.

Our current and benevolence giving through March 31st was \$41,187.15. This was bolstered by \$12,800.00 that was received toward 2022 pledges in calendar year 2021 and held in reserve to be transferred into our 2022 budget income. Our total 1st quarter current and benevolence giving was \$53,987.15. Zion received current and benevolence giving from 78 of our current giving envelope list. That list consists of 174 envelope numbers. In 2021 we received current and benevolence contributions from 101 envelope numbers.

Total expenses for the first quarter were \$37,068.71, giving us a 1st quarter surplus of \$19,366.36.

Total monies in Zion's various dedicated accounts are: \$141,027.34.

Zion's endowment funds stand at: \$105,845.37

Zion's capital improvement fund has a balance of: \$21,913.27

This leaves Zion with operating cash of: \$117,100.01

We can all rejoice that we are meeting the needs of our 2022 budget plan. However, we must remember that future growth of our ministries will require a greater commitment from the congregation to be achieved.

We urge you all to continue to provide your support for Zion and our ministries as you are able to do so. Zion's council and its committees will continue to stay committed to our budget plan as we progress through 2022.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June Birthdays (Alphabetical)

Anthony Akers
Brian Stancombe
Caiden Cardelli
Chad Akers
Chris Grafton
Cory Hotchkiss
David Dahlheimer
David Woodall
Dawn Seagren
Don McKelvey
Gene Jones
Hallie Sweger
Jacquie McCullough
Karl Nagle
Mason Musser
Rhonda Stefanik
Sharon O'Keiff
Shirley Kelly
Tyson Ellenberger
Vivian Krznaric

MINUTES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

April 11, 2022

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by president Kevin Huston at 6:32 PM
- A. **Opening Prayer**
- B. **Attendance** K. Huston, R. Wissinger, S. Horner, D. Keith, K. McCullough, Pr. Tedd, S. Bowersox, K. Balcerak, S. Dickson, B. Slade,
Absent: B. Mehus, G. Sechrist
- II. **Devotions** – None: **May-** K. McCullough
Approval of March minutes- Motion to approve minutes- R. Wissinger,
 2nd K. Balcerak
- IV. **Communications:** -
 Pastors' Report- LCM has one more gathering. Since we have been meeting on Friday, this is Good Friday; there is a keyboard studio recital and a faculty recital on two separate Fridays; April 22 will be our last gathering. On Friday, we enjoyed having Pastor Ryan from Lutherlyn join us. Dylan Brown, member of our congregation, will be playing the Great Vigil and cantering (along with others). He has been selected to participate in Young Adults in Global Ministries (YAGM) and I am working to have him at Synod Assembly. He is returning to Lutherlyn this summer.
- I am encouraging the congregations of Trinity 3-2-1 to have a summer gathering for fellowship and to continue to get to know each other better.
- V. **Review of Financial Report (March 2022).** -
 Motion to send for audit. S. Horner, 2nd- B. Slade
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 Standing Committees
Administration and Finance – Kevin Huston – The committee met with Ryan Ebner to discuss legacy giving. More information on this program will be forthcoming in the future.
Staff Support – Rik Wissinger – Continued work on securing viable candidates for replacing our retiring sexton are underway.
Nominating Committee – Sharon O'Keiff – The committee will meet by July to organize for securing nominations for our 2022 slate of electors at the annual congregational meeting
Constitution Review – Becky Slade – Council received a series of proposed amendments to the constitution, by-laws, and continuing resolutions that were reported out of the constitution review workshop. Council was asked to review these items and prepare to vote on submitting them to the congregation for adoption.
Audit Committee – Becky Slade – Audit memo for 2021 audit report still needs signed by those who performed the audit

MINUTES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL—cont

Evangelism /Stewardship – Kim Balcerak - Easter cross tag will be handed out at Easter vigil. There is also a prayer basket in the front pew of the nave where the congregation can select names of fellow members for which they can pray during the week. Quarterly reports updating those who made budget pledges for 2022 are being prepared for mailing.

Parish Education – The children are planning to sing during church services on Sunday May 22nd.

Property –Dave Keith – The leak at the sixth street entrance to the nave is still unrepaired. The committee is still awaiting revised bids on the building window replacement project. The committee is securing bids for the nave roof. Motion R. Wissinger/K. Balcerak to move \$2,750.00 from 02 account "Focus Envelope" to 02 account "Capitol Improvement" to cover the cost of re-caulking the "Jesus Window" was approved.

Building Use – None

Recreation and Fellowship – S. Horner- No Report

Social Ministry – Sue Dickson- Food pantry this weekend. The committee is planning to participate in the 2022 Back to School Bash.

Trinity 3-2-1 - May 14th from 4-8pm Luther Chapel is having a Mother's Day tea. An announcement will be made in the bulletin. A summer picnic is being planned.

Worship and Music – Holy Week services are planned and will commence with Maundy Thursday on April 14 at Zion. Good Friday services will be held at Luther Chapel on April 15. The Easter Vigil will be held at Zion on April 16. Two services for Easter Sunday will be held on Sunday April 17. Early service at Luther Chapel and late morning service at Zion. A September service for Music and Prayer is being planned.

VIII. Old Business- None

- IX. New Business-** Jim Chapman would like to present a series of orations titled: "Moments with Martin" – Council requested more information on number and length of orations – it was suggested that this year's Octoberfest might be a good date to introduce the series to obtain interest within the congregation.

- X. Motion to Adjourn-** R. Wissinger- 2nd K. Balcerak

Submitted by Kevin Huston 4/12/2022.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 4, 2022

Call to Order 7:01pm

Attendance- S. Dickson, R. Wissinger, D. Seagren, G. Sechrist, P. Bowersox, B. Mehus, K. Huston.

Absent- Pr. Tedd (traveling to Philly)

April Minutes Motion to approve- R. Wissinger, 2nd /S. Dickson

Financial Report

April Financials- The finances are looking good. There was an unexpected roof repair. Send for Audit- M/D. Seagren, 2nd /R. Wissinger

III. 2022 Initiatives

Managing 2022 pledges (Stewardship)- There was some confusion as the pledge cards were not as clear as they could have been.

Membership Outreach (Worship and Music)

Home communion- progressing; less people are requesting home communion. More people returning to church. Will continue to do them as needed.

On-Line Church- Waiting on equipment, Kevin will inquire about that tomorrow. The plan is to set up a station to the left of the organ with a laptop to direct the camera. It will be streamed on YouTube. The camera has ability to pan around, and more microphones will be added to pick up more sound.

Strategic Planning (Administration and Finance)

Appoint committee (and Chairperson) to review goals- Projects in the future (Kitchen, Roof, Windows) \$58-59k estimate for kitchen remodel. It has been 50 years since a major remodel was done. At the very least the floor and ceiling tiles need replaced. Provide options to congregation about additional pastoral care; options may be limited. There may need to be some out of the box thinking for the building. It needs repairs, gauge congregation's thoughts about selling building and moving to another location. The Synod assembly is June 10th 9am. We are permitted to send two representatives.

e. Procedure handbook (Staff Support)- Pretty much wrapped up. Procedures and passwords to change the locking mechanism need added. We received a strange email asking to pay the emergency phone bill for the elevator; the company was transitioning to a different system and it was mistakenly sent. We received a letter from S&T bank to increase credit limit on card from \$2500 to \$7500 because of great credit, K. Huston called and kept it the same.

Preparation for Jerry's replacement- R. Wissinger will set up an interview with the one applicant we have so far. An article in Saturday's paper will be placed in the paper towards the end of the month.

Old Business- None

New Business- None

Motion to adjourn- D. Seagren- 2nd- R. Wissinger.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 17, 2022

Members Present: Jerry Ruffner, Kevin Huston, Dave Keith

Committee issues discussed:

Completed Projects

1. 4/20/2022 – New Soap Dispenser installed in Men’s Bathroom (social hall)
2. 4/25/2022 – Brock Landscaping replaced cherry tree that was vandalized
3. 4/26/2022 - Environmental Pest Control performed their monthly service (\$45.00)
4. 4/26/2022 – Eastern Elevator performed quarterly maintenance on elevator
5. 4/29/2022 – Brock Landscaping planted grass along driveway at form parish house location
6. 4/29/2022 – Pennsylvania issued Zion new operational certificates for the elevator and lift chairs (\$394.98)
7. 5/10/2022 – Eastern Elevator was called to service elevator doors that were sticking (\$460.70)
8. 5/16/2022 – New gas grille was purchased for Zion’s new green space area (funds from ZARP used)
9. 5/16/2022 - Money from the Pop Machine located near the men’s bathroom was deposited (\$198.50)
Because of lack of use, the committee recommended that the machine be removed

1. 5/17//2022 – TMR did additional work on the “Jesus” window area sealing two broken mortar lines below the window and sealing open areas on the termination bar. They then water proofed the “porch roof” below the window.
2. 5/16/2022 – The emergency phone service provider with the elevator was “ghost” called. The committee is looking into the cause of this.
- 3.5/17/2022 - The committee authorized making two key copies for the garage man door for access to the new grille.

On Going Projects:

1. TMR submitted a bid of \$270,425.00 for replacing the slate roof on the church with a 50 year “slate loo” composite material. After inspection, it was determined that the roof would need to be replaced within two years. It is 50 years old. The committee is moving toward asking the congregation to accept this bid.
2. The committee received a revised bid from Willet Hauser on the repair and replacement of Zion’s windows EXCLUDING those in the Nave. These windows would be replaced with frosted glass. The cost for replacing 58 windows in the NON-Nave office area will be \$154,091.00. The committee will recommend to the congregation that this bid be accepted.
3. The committee received a bid for renovation of the kitchen by Pennington Construction for \$58,918.09. The committee is recommending that the congregation accept this bid.
4. DOBIL submitted a revised bid for upgrading Zion’s On-Line church service offering. As of 5/17/2022 we are still waiting for the equipment to ship so that installation can be completed.
5. The Committee contacted Lukehart Home Specialists announcing our acceptance of his bid to paint the red church doors after council approved the bid.

Other 2022 Projects

1. The ceiling tiles in the narthex will be replaced once the water leak is deemed to be permanently repaired.
2. The committee is researching for a vendor to address our ongoing bat infestation problem.

Available Funds for Projects

Capital Improvement Account Balance: \$ 0.00

ZARP Account Balance: \$ 11,332.77

\$ 10,000 earmarked for Parish house site reclamation

The Committee’s next meeting will be Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Formal recommendations to council:

The Property committee petitions Zion’s church council to call a special meeting of the congregation for the purpose of reviewing and discussing three renovation projects: Nave roof, kitchen renovation, replacement windows (58) in non-nave areas

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 24, 2022

Members Present: Kathy Huston, Kevin Huston, Rik Wissinger, Pastor Tedd Cogar, Jan Cikowski, Dr. Christine Clewell, Sue Dickson

Topics Discussed:

1. Planning is underway for our 9/11/2022 Patriotic service and fellowship beginning at 3:00 PM. The committee is seeking assistance from the Recreation and Fellowship committee.
2. The committee requests that this to be a Trinity 321 including Luther Chapel and IUP campus center to act as hosts for our extended Indiana community to be included. The committee will reach out to invite local police and fire to attend the service.
3. The committee discussed displaying red hurricane candles on the altar for Pentecost in lieu of purchasing geraniums.
4. The committee selected hymns for the Sundays after Pentecost beginning on June 18-19.
5. The committee discussed the upcoming sabbatical for our Director of Music Dr. Christine Clewell. Dr. Clewell's sabbatical will run from July 1, 2022 through December 1, 2022. The committee is unsure if organists will be procured for the Sundays that Dr. Clewell is away. The committee will plan hymns for each Sunday during Dr. Clewell's sabbatical and if organists are available we will proceed as normal. If no organist is able to fill in on that Sunday, a spoken service would be an option.

Date of NEXT Meeting: Tuesday June 28, 2022 at 7:30 PM

Formal recommendations to council:

Asked that the appropriate committees begin planning for Patriot Day (9/11/2022) period of fellowship following the service.

Asked that the appropriate committees begin planning for our 2022 "Octoberfest" celebration on Sunday October 2, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Huston

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 27, 2022

Present: Jenn Rising, Jess Baum Mehus, Gail Sechrist

Absent: Pastor Tedd Cogar, Beth Wheeler

CATECHISM:

No update.

No families have contacted Jenn Rising about beginning classes for 2022-2023 school year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday School Teachers/Volunteers: No update

Sunday School Calendar: We need to choose a Sunday School meeting option.

Choices: Every other week at 10:30 a.m.

Every other week during the Church service after the opening.

Every week at 10:30 a.m.

Every other week at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday evening before the church service.

Families attending Sunday School will vote on preference.

Sunday School Curriculum: Stay with Sparks curriculum.

Jess Baum will begin working on the course calendar once the Sparks year and Sunday School meeting option is decided.

Sunday School COVID Plan: Following school plan.

Song for May 22

Date: Last day of Sunday School is 5/22/22. Plan to sing at that date.

Songs: B-I-B-L-E, Jesus Loves Me, and This Little Light

Check on battery operated candles for kids to use.

Budget: No update

Sunday School Space: No update

Intergenerational/Trinity 3-2-1/Special Events:

No update

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Date: August 13, 2022 at Blue Spruce Park

Contact Beth Wheeler to discuss options.

NEW BUSINESS:

May meeting will be at 6 p.m.

Revisit meeting time at that meeting.

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 27, 2022

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

September 12, 2021 (Rally Day): 2 children

September 19, 2021: 5 children

September 29, 2021: 6 children

October 3, 2021: 4 children

October 10, 2021: 2 children

October 17, 2021: 7 children (two guests included)

October 24, 2021: 2 children

October 31, 2021: 8 children (1 guest included)

November 7, 2021: 3 children

November 14, 2021: 9 children (two guests included)

November 21, 2021:

November 28, 2021:

December 5, 2021: Cancelled

December 12, 2021: 5 children

December 19, 2021: 5 children

December 26, 2021: No Sunday School

January 2, 2022: No Sunday School

January 9, 2022: 2 Children

January 16, 2022: Cancelled

January 23, 2022: 8 children (1 guest included)

January 30, 2022: 4 children

February 6, 2022: 4 children

February 13, 2022: 4 children

February 20, 2022: 7 children

February 27, 2022: 2 children

March 6, 2022: 7 children

March 13, 2022: 4 children

March 20, 2022:

March 27, 2022:

April 3, 2022:

April 10, 2022: 4 children

April 17, 2022: No SCS

April 24, 2022: 6 children

May 1, 2022: 6 children (2 guests)

May 8, 2022: 3 children

June 2022

Date	Lay Reader	Altar Guild	Ushers	Assist. Min.	Tellers
June 4/5	5:30-Karen Gresh 9:30-Tyson Ellenberger	Sat-AM&PM-Louise Buchanan Sun-Becky Slade	5:30-Rik & Bev Wissinger 9:30-Jim Slade	5:30-Kim Balcerak 9:30-Beth Grafton	Kim Balcerak
June 11/12	5:30-Jim Chapman 9:30-Bob Shively	Sat-AM-Jan Cikowski, PM -Bev Wissinger Sun-Kathy Huston	5:30-Dave & Linda Malin 9:30-Don & Dawn Seagren	5:30-Jenn Rising 9:30-Rik Wissinger	Kim Balcerak
June 18/19	5:30-Sue Dickson 9:30-Don Seagren	Sat AM-Kathy Huston, PM-Shirley Horner Sun-Sue Dickson	5:30-Shirley Horner, Chuck Rodnicki 9:30-Gary Ellenberger	5:30-Kevin Huston 9:30-Jenn Rising	Kim Balcerak
June 25/26	5:30-Claudia Ditch 9:30-Gail Sechrist	Sat AM&PM-Sharon O'Keiff Sun-Sue Dickson	5:30-Dave & Linda Malin 9:30-Tyson Ellenberger	5:30-Kim Balcerak 9:30-Kevin Huston	Kim Balcerak

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Narcotics Anonymous meetings Sunday evenings			1	2	3 Zion office closed	4 5:30 Liturgy
5 8:30 Choir Practice 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	6	7	8 7 Adm/Finance	9	10 Zion office closed	11 5:30 Liturgy
12 8:30 Choir Practice 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	13 6:30 Council	14	15	16	17 Zion office closed	18 10-12 Food Pantry Noon-3 Ellenberger Birthday Party 5:30 Liturgy
19 8:30 Choir Practice 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	20	21 7 Property	22	23 <u>Jerry Off</u>	24 <u>Jerry Off</u> Zion office closed	25 5:30 Liturgy
26 8:30 Choir Practice 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	27	28 7:30 Worship & Music	29 7 Parish Ed	30 Newsletter Mailed		



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