

## Worship Services

### Sundays

8:30am Traditional  
9:40am Education hour  
10:45am Contemporary

## Office Hours

**M T W F** 9:00am–3:00pm  
**Thurs** 9:00am–noon  
or call for an appointment

## Our Mission

With the assurance of God's faithfulness, we'll  
† nurture disciples,  
† extend healing and compassion, and  
† work for justice in our communities and throughout the world.

## Our Vision

Gathered by the grace and love of Jesus Christ, the people of Mt Zion commit to know God deeply and to serve God gladly through the many and diverse gifts given to us by the Holy Spirit.

## Marks of Discipleship

† **PRAY** daily  
† **WORSHIP** weekly  
† **READ** the Bible  
† **SERVE** at Mt Zion and beyond  
† Be in **RELATIONSHIP** to encourage spiritual growth in others  
† **GIVE** of my time, talents, and resources

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

## Calling All Actors!

Do you have a family or a group of friends that like performing?

Will you be around on the night before Easter  
April 11?

We're looking for groups that will help us tell the story of salvation, including  
Creation,  
the Flood,  
the Testing of Abraham,  
Crossing the Red Sea,  
the Dry Bones,  
Jonah,  
or other stories from the Old Testament.



Do you prefer poetry jams?

Or music?

There are also some Old Testament poems that you could re-envision for an epic reading.



**If interested, talk with Pastor Tyler  
(who has tons of skit books).**

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Lenten Soup Supper

Each week we are looking for volunteers to make a large crockpot of soup to share with approximately 20-25 people along with bread or crackers.

Soup should be ready to serve at 5:30PM.

Please Sign up on the clipboard wall in the Gathering Space.



**Wednesday, March 4 — Wednesday, April 1**

### Purim Festival

Imagine a freshly baked golden brown cookie filled with an apricot, prune, or date jam filling. Is your mouth watering yet? These cookies, called Hamantaschen (or oznei ham-an), are the traditional sweets served during Purim. And we have a recipe for them on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space. That's right, we need folks to sign-up to bring food for the intergenerational Purim festival on

**Sunday, March 8 during the Education Hour!**



Not into baking? That's ok! There are plenty of other foods you can bring. From hummus to pita bread to grape juice or olives, there is a snack for you!

For more about Purim, see "Weekly Words" on page 5.

### Tosa Cares

**Saturday, March 7th** brings another Tosa Cares distribution. As always, we'd love to have you help host our guests. Volunteers are needed from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and/ or 10 a.m. to 11:30ish. You'll be serving treats and beverages, clearing tables and, most importantly, lending a listening ear. If you can't volunteer, but still want to help, juice and snacks are always needed. Treats like homemade goods, fruit, cheese and crackers, and granola bars are always welcomed. The pink sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space and include other snack ideas. If you have any questions, you can contact me at [adsc@wi.rr.com](mailto:adsc@wi.rr.com).



God's work, our hands,

Andrea Cockerham

# This Week at Mt Zion

## Sunday, February 23

- 8:30am Traditional Worship
- 9:40am Education Hour
- 10:45am Contemporary Worship

## Monday, February 24

- 7:00pm Book Club [Hearth Room]
- 7:00pm NA group [Fellowship Hall]

## Tuesday, February 25

- 12:00pm AA 12 steps group [Room 211]
- 6:00pm Mardi Gras Board Game Night

## Wednesday, February 26

- 12:00pm Distribution of Ashes
- 1:00pm Prayer Group [War Room]
- 6:30pm Knightwind Ensemble Rehearsal
- 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service
- 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, February 27

- 10:00am Reformation Bible Study [3806 W Lisbon Ave, Milwaukee]
- 6:00pm Hand bells Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

## Friday, February 28

- 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous [Rm 102]
- 7:00pm ACA 12-steps group [Room 212]
- 7:30pm Essay 12-steps group [Rm 210]

## Saturday, February 29

- 9:00am Music Lessons [Upper Room]

## Sunday, March 1

- 8:30am Traditional Worship
- 9:40am Education Hour
- 10:45am Contemporary Worship
- 11:30am Worship—Korean Church

### Today's Forum

"Debating Philemon"

## Upcoming Events

### Mardi Gras Board Game Night!

Tuesday, February 25

6:00-9:00pm

You can bring a game to play with others or you can join in on something new!

Bring snacks or appetizers to share.



# ASH WEDNESDAY

February 26

Distribution of Ashes

Noon to 1:00pm

Worship Service

6:30pm



## Lenten Soup Suppers

5:30 –6:30pm

Wednesdays

March 4 through April 1

## Lenten Worship Services

“Holden Prayer Around the Cross”

Wednesdays

March 4 through April 1

6:30pm

North Narthex

# Rotation Sunday School

All children are welcome 3yr. to 5th grade

9:30-10:40

Children will be dropped off and picked up at Holy Flicks Theater (2nd floor)

## Esther

Feb. 16-Mar. 8, 2020

Our next unit will take us back in time to Persia (modern day Iran) to hear how God's sovereign power comes through to save His people. The book of Esther is the last of the historical books of the Old Testament. It tells the story of handsome King Xerxes who is a great builder and an extremely cruel king, Esther, his Queen, (probably one of many) has hidden her identity of being Jewish from him. The plot thickens when Xerxes' main man, Haman, wants to pass a law to get rid of the Jews. Yikes! What will happen next? This is a story of suspicion and intrigue, honor and faith, and yes, murder and death. The Jewish people celebrate the story of Esther each and every year and it is called The Festival of Purim. In our own fashion, we too will be celebrating Purim.



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**Memory Verse:** "Who can say but that God has brought you into the palace for just such a time as this?" Esther 4:14b

## Offerings

We ask your children to bring an offering on Sunday. Parents, please empty your loose change out of your pockets every day and give it to your children to give for their offering. The amount is not as important as training your child in the habit of giving and becoming generous. Envelope packets are outside the theater on the table free to take and use.

## Tosa Cares

Each week your child is given a sticker to remind them to bring that item for Tosa Cares and those less fortunate.

## MARK THE DATE!

Our celebration of the Festival of Purim will take place March 8th. This will be an intergenerational event. We would like to extend this festival to those in the gathering space during the Sunday school hour. For those of you who would wish to experiment and bring some ethnic foods to share, recipes and a sign-up list will be on a clipboard on the clipboard wall in the gathering space.



**Ministry Schedule F**

	Feb. 23 Sunday 8:30 am	Feb. 23 Sunday 10:45 am	Feb. 26 Ash Wed 12:00 pm	Feb. 26 Ash Wed 6:30 pm	Mar 1 Sunday 8:30 am
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Gabby Riccaboni			<b>Volunteer needed</b>	Maya Smith
<b>ALTAR CARE</b>	Wendi Hall				Nancy DiGiacinto
<b>ASSISTING MINISTERS</b>	Cynthia Rigsby	Erik Peterson	Janet McCarthy	Mavis Roesch	Chris Kress
<b>COMMUNION DEACONS</b>	Chris Kress and Wendi Hall				Jim and Donna Zarek
<b>GREETERS</b>	Marika Moore and Matt Czervionke	Jim and Lisa McTaggart	Linda and Linda	Sandra Echols, Tom and Linda Ertel	Noram and Dick Hollander
<b>LECTORS</b>	Gail Robinson	Janet McCarthy	Dawn and Mavis	Brittany	Lynda Yanny
<b>NURSERY</b>	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available
<b>USHERS</b>	Roy Durrenberg and <b>Volunteer needed</b>	Dave and Vicki Nelson	Linda Haecker and Donna Zarek	<b>Volunteers needed</b>	Jim & Donna Zarek and <b>Volunteer needed</b>
<b>OFFERING STEWARDS <u>MONDAY</u></b>	4TH WEEK: Nancy Schumacher / Carl & Karen Engelhardt				1ST Week Tom Ertel/Jim Goetzinger/ Gary Goll
<b>AUDIO/VISUAL</b>	Abby Sumiec	The Marciniak Family		Janet McCarthy	The Johnson Family Caleb Smith

**ur Church work! Thank you!**

**Feb 23- Mar. 15, 2020**

	<b>Mar 1 Sunday 10:45 am</b>	<b>Mar 8 Sunday 8:30 am</b>	<b>Mar 8 Sunday 10:45 am</b>	<b>Mar. 11 Wed. 6:30 pm</b>	<b>Mar 15 Sunday 8:30 am</b>	<b>Mar 15 Sunday 10:45 am</b>
	Gabby Riccaboni	Leah Cervionke	Belinda Felber		Gabby Riccaboni	
		Norma Hollander			Ellyn Steinke	
	Janet McCarthy	Cynthia Rigsby	Erik Peterson		Tom Ertel	Jim McTaggart
		Gail and Rich Robinson			Douglas and Mary Johnson	
	Pat Campbel & Jack Setner	Marika Moore and Matt Czervionke	Sandra Echols	<b>Volunteer needed</b>	Kent and Margie Spicer	Pat Campbel & Jack Setner
	Sara Bailey	Sherry Downs	Janet McCarthy	<b>Volunteer needed</b>	Chirs Kress	Lora Marheine
	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available	unstaffed nursery available
	Dorothy Snead & Jim Yee	Roy Durrenberg, Carl & Karen Engel- hardt	Lauren and Jesse Campell		Roy Durrenberg & Suzy Morgan	Dorothy Snead and Tony Frederick
		2ND WEEK: Tom & Pat Morgan / Brad & Pam Hext			3rd WEEK: Pete Peterson/John Link/ Roy Durrenberg	
	The Marciniak Family	Ethan Cervionke	Peterson Family		Lynda Yanny & Caleb Smith	Janet McCarthy



## Mt Zion Pancake Challenge

Can we Collect:

50 boxes of pancake mix

AND

50 bottles of syrup

By March 3rd

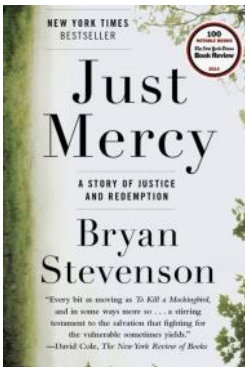
for TOSA Cares?

Drop off donations in the Gathering Space

## Scripture Readings for this Week

Exodus 24:12-18 Psalm 2

2 Peter 1:16-21 Matthew 17:1-9



## Book Club

Monday, February 24

7:00-8:30pm

In the Hearth Room

We will discuss the All-Tosa Reads selection

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption

By Bryan Stevenson



## February Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

Dave F. 2/1	Roger S. 2/20
Linda H. 2/1	Michael F. 2/20
Debbie F. 2/2	Harper P. 2/20
Loretta B. 2/2	Eloise K. 2/21
Mara M. 2/2	Margie S. 2/21
Evelyn S. 2/3	Yvonne K. 2/21
Eliza F. 2/6	Logan W. 2/22
Sherry D. 2/6	Alex H. 2/24
Kate W. 2/9	Brian W. 2/24
Dean S. 2/9	Garret J. 2/25
Erica M. 2/11	Joe D. 2/25
Gwenivere A. 2/12	
Dick H. 2/13	
Aharon G. 2/13	
Lynn K. 2/16	
Trentin E. 2/16	
Franklin B. 2/17	
Jim S. 2/19	

### Anniversaries

Keith and Peg P. 2/08
James and Tina K. 2/17
Sara S. and Jolie K. 2/18
Carole and Kenneth S. 2/20

**Coming Next Month Baptism Anniversaries!**

## Civil Rights Pilgrimage

Rev. Joseph Ellwanger, and his wife Joyce, will lead a "Civil Rights Pilgrimage" to Atlanta, Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, and Memphis, August 1-9, 2020.

This will be an intense nine-day road trip to visit museums, churches, and colleges, and to talk with veteran "foot soldiers" who participated in the movement of the 1960s. The civil rights movement of the 1960s is a period of U.S. history that made national news headlines and that shaped the history of our country and transformed the mission and the ministry of much of the faith community.

Information sessions will be held on Tue., Feb. 18, 6:00 PM, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, W156 N8131 Pilgrim Rd., Menomonee Falls, and at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 6705 Northway, Greendale. Another session will be held on Thur., Feb. 20, 10:30 AM, at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, 8633 W. Beecher St., West Allis.



## Have You Considered Including Mt. Zion in Your Will?

Do you have a will? It is a basic question, but one that many people prefer to not answer. We don't like to think about our will because we don't like to think about life after we are gone.

The sad reality is that as many as 60% of Americans don't have a valid will. A will is an important final way to tell family and charities what is most important to you.

A will simply directs those we leave behind how to divide up what is left. When instructions aren't given, chaos can ensue. That is when relatives fight with each other and tension enters relationships.

A will can also be a statement of what was important to you. It can be a final way to teach your kids that they were important to you, but so were some ministries that are making a difference in the world.

Contact your attorney to make a will or to add a codicil to your will to include Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. If you don't have an attorney, we can help you find one. There are options for how your gift will be used by Mt. Zion. It can go to greatest need, be used for a capital project, or it could even begin an endowment to care for a particular ministry at Mt. Zion.

Perhaps you can consider tithing to Mt. Zion through your estate or even "adopting" Mt. Zion as an additional child.

One example of a member who remembered Mt. Zion in his estate in recent years is **Carl Schmick**. He was a long-time member who passed away in July 2017 at age 91. Carl was a Marine Corps Veteran who served during World War II and was a proud member of American Legion Post #449. As part of his estate planning, he created the Carl Schmick Foundation, which contributes to a number of charities, including Mt. Zion. We are so very grateful for contributions from the Schmick Foundation over the past two years.

Gifts through a person's estate are a great lasting testimony to the importance that the church and service to God has held in their lives. Mt. Zion respects requests for anonymity, but since gift amounts are not being made public, we are hopeful that publishing Carl's name will be seen as a statement of faith and will encourage others to make a similar gift.

**-Stewardship Committee**



Sanctuary (date unknown).

Do you know when these photos might have been taken?



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