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AT THE END OF THE SERVICE – be sure to greet those who are seated around you. **YOU are His Voice**, **His Hand**, to those who are worshipping with you.

FLOWERS on the side stones are given to the glory of God by Gene and Amy Frehse in loving memory of their sister-in-law, Cindy Frehse.

FLOWERS on the Altar are given to the glory of God by the Zion Kindness Team in honor of Pearl Pedersen and her 92nd birthday, which is Saturday, February 24.

FLOWERS on the Altar are given to the glory of God by the Zion Kindness Team in honor of Lodyce Buhr and her 93rd birthday, which is Monday, February 26.

LUTHERAN HOUR "When Winning Is Losing" with Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. John Nunes. In Christ, losing is winning and winning is losing. Dr. John Nunes explains what that means. (Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 5:1-11; Mark 8:8-27) Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" locally on Sunday at 11:20 a.m. on KHBT 97.7 FM and at 6:00 p.m. on KJYL 100.7 FM or on the web at www.lutheranhour.org/AFN/listen.htm. It is also on XM's Family Talk Radio Sundays at 1:00 p.m. (EST). Today's broadcast is sponsored to the glory of God by Kevin and Marilyn Lehrman.

Please remember in your PRAYERS: Those HOSPITALIZED or ILL: Fred Arndt, Des Moines; Charlotte Lamaak; Tom Reimers; Marlys Johnson; Melinda Witzke; Vinny Wilson; Tim Wredt-Hospice at home; Dallas Coon (father of Cliff Coon)-Hospice at home; Darlene Havick (neighbor of Lois Cibert)-Hospice at Humboldt. LONG TERM PRAYERS: Ann Wood; Rene' Dreyer; Joyce Kaspersen; Scot Slaikeu; Chris Meyer; Linda Coon; Diane Gates Balvin (daughter of Bonnie Gates). PRAYERS FOR THOSE MOURNING THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES: Family of Eddie Berg (father of Eric Berg, Eric is the brother-in-law of Pastor Aaron & Lindy); Family of Roger Collins (nephew of Bev Wilcox).

The Endowment Committee will host the **Midweek Lenten Supper** this **Wednesday, February 28** from **5:45-7:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. The menu will consist of pork loin sandwiches, cheesy potatoes, green beans, and dessert. Proceeds will go to Zion's General Fund. **Midweek Lenten Services** continue this **Wednesday**, **February 28** at **7:15 p.m.** Please join us for a good meal, fellowship, and worship.

Women of Zion and friends are invited to our next Bible study beginning on *Tuesday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, February 28 at 9:15 a.m.* We will begin "Abide - A study of 1, 2 & 3 John" by Jen Wilkin. How can we hold onto assurance of our faith? How can we discern the truth from a lie? How can we know God loves us? This study will help you discover how 2,000 years later, the apostle John's words call to Christians in similar challenges to recall a great salvation and to abide in the truth. He reminds an early church facing division, deception, and doubt to hold fast to what they know and to live like they believe it. And he reminds us as well. Please contact Angela, Judy, or the church office to order a book. We'd love to have some new gals come to join us!

Bev Allbaugh will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Tuesday, March 5. Her children would like to help her celebrate this special occasion with a **Card Shower**. She would enjoy hearing from her church family. Bev's address is: 2431 Lone Tree Road, Humboldt, IA 50548.

EASTER LILIES are the symbol of new life and bring beauty to the Sanctuary as we celebrate our Lord's resurrection. They proclaim and trumpet the news "HE IS RISEN!" "HE IS RISEN INDEED!" Please consider giving an Easter Lily in memory of or in honor of someone or occasion. The cost is \$10 for one plant. The order form is on the table in the Narthex. Please put the form in the box in the church office by **March 13** if you would like to purchase any. Thanks.

While you are inside this winter, please start packing boxes of items you no longer need or want, that are clean and in good condition, as we will be hosting a *SPRING* "free will donation" *GARAGE SALE* on April 26 and 27.

Thanks again to all who donated and purchased items at the fall sale. Jon and Tammy Kuehnast will pick up boxes of items from people unable to deliver them. Details later.

LUTHERAN WITNESS, the official publication of the LC-MS, is available to members. The 2024 **cost is \$28.25**. Please consider reimbursing Zion for your subscription. Place offering in an envelope marked Lutheran Witness Sub. with your envelope number. We thank those who have reimbursed Zion. If you are not receiving the LW and want to, please notify the church office.

The <u>2024 Flower Chart and KHBT Lutheran Hour Chart</u> are posted in the Narthex to the south of the bulletin board above the drinking fountain. If you would like to place flowers in the front of the Sanctuary on the side stones or sponsor a Lutheran Hour broadcast, please sign up on the charts. The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$31.50. Please take time and consider these opportunities to give thanks and praise to our gracious Lord in 2024. Thanks.

LWML has CARDS for sale! Congratulations, Birthday, Anniversary, Encouragement, Thank You, Sympathy, Wedding, Blank Notes, Baby, Get Well, Thinking of You. Boxes are \$8 for 12 cards (66.6 cents a card); singles are \$1 each. Cards are in the Narthex. Leave money in lockbox attached to the right side of the card stand or in the church office.

Jr. LYC Scrip Card Program Fundraiser proceeds go to Jr. LYC (5th-8th grade). Profit for January was \$230.50. Please see Carole Zinnel, Amy Donahe, or the church office for cards. If you would like scrip cards delivered to your office, Carole will deliver and pick up your check made out to Zion Jr. LYC one day a month. Businesses that participate and the profit Jr. LYC receives are listed in the newsletter. We have a variety of gift cards. They make great gifts! Thanks for supporting Jr. LYC and local businesses!

If you have changed your **phone number** or are now using only a cell number, have a new **e-mail address**, or have moved and have a new **physical address**, contact the church office at zion@goldfieldaccess.net or (515)332-3279 with your new phone number, e-mail address, and physical address.

The Evangelism Board would like **old graduation gowns or similar attire** to use for the 2024 Live Nativity next December. If you have any you can donate, please contact Sharon Kuehnast. Thanks!

CANS for CAMP OKOBOJI – Please take **all pop cans and bottles** and put them in the **container** located outside on the **east side** of the Sunday school wing of the church building. Please **completely empty** all bottles and cans and please **do not** put **garbage** in them. Thank you.

LWML MEETINGS FOR 2024:

March 14 - Group Meeting 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

April 11 - General Meeting 9:30 am

May 9 - Group Meeting 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

June 13 - Group Meeting 9:30 am

July 11 - General Meeting 9:30 am

August - No Meeting

September 12 - Group Meeting 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

October 10 - General Meeting 9:30 am

November 14 - Group Meeting 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

December 12 - Christmas Brunch 10:00 am

The 12th Meals from the Heartland Event will be held on Saturday, March 16 at Our Savior's Lutheran Fellowship Hall. Students will be packaging meals on Friday, March 15. It is sponsored by the Humboldt County Ministerial Association and we need your help!! Please consider making a monetary donation and/or volunteer to help package meals! You may mail a check to any committee member or send to Allen Goche at 1606 Elmhurst Ave., Humboldt. Please call Jan Goche at 515-890-9117 if you are able to volunteer. Station hours are from 8-9:30, 9:30-11 and 11-12:30. Thank you!

<u>Lutherans for Life Thoughts</u>: Lent II – Physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia view aging and affliction as burdens. But Abraham became a blessing in his elderliness (Genesis 17:1-2). And we encounter the glory of the Lord in carrying one another's crosses (Mark 8:34, 38). So let us resist Satan's temptations to take death into our own hands (Mark 8:33). We will rejoice in our suffering (Romans 5:3) and receive neighbors as gifts even in theirs (Psalm 22:24).

<u>Lutherans for Life Quotes</u>: "Our Heavenly Father remains active and almighty, especially in the difficult circumstances that life issues involve. In joining Himself to us with His incarnation, wisdom, power, atonement, and resurrection, Jesus makes every human life blessed—and a blessing! He lovingly and ably handles decisions about welfare and affliction, life and death, so that we don't have to do it on our own." *Pastor Michael Salemink*—**A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org.**

Building Healthy Families: Remember the old Sunday School song that starts, "Oh be careful little eyes what you see..."? As simple as these lyrics may be, they hold a profound truth for us. Many of the things our little eyes see today aren't good for us and aren't God-pleasing. Our hearts and minds are imprinted with images and messages that negatively influence how we think and feel about ourselves and others. Be careful to avoid experiences, relationships, web sites, TV shows and song lyrics that don't reflect God's good will for you, His beloved child. His designs and plans for you are oh so much better! Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways." Psalm 119:37 Lutheran Family Service of Iowa (800)622-7285 or (515)573-3138. See website: www.LutheranFamilyService.org.



FROG - "Fally Rely on God"

Money is one of God's gifts to people.

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Applying Bible Principles

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Don't you just love gifts? There is great satisfaction both in getting gifts and in giving them. Since we are created in the image of God, it stands to reason that He also must take great delight in giving and receiving gifts.

All that we have comes from His hand, but in particular, Solomon indicated that money and riches and the ability to enjoy them are gifts from God. In other words, God gives us that which is rightfully His, and then He allows us the enjoyment of wealth and money. As we enjoy what He has entrusted to us, no doubt He takes great pleasure in our enjoyment if our actions are in conformity to His Word and His will.

How can we be sure that our enjoyment of money and wealth is according to God's plan? The Bible contains a great deal of specific instruction as to how we are to use money, but this guiding principle is to motivate our entire lives, including the use and enjoyment of wealth: "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31).

There's nothing wrong with money. There's nothing wrong with enjoying the things that money can buy. Solomon was correct when he said that both are gifts from God. The key is to use money in such a way that our enjoyment will bring glory to God. One of the primary ways to do that is to give to the Lord and His work here at Zion Lutheran Church.

During the past few months, have you kept God's glory — especially giving to Him — as the number one priority in your use of money? Or have other things taken the place of your giving to God?

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENTS: ATTENDANCE

Saturday-28; Communed-25; Sunday-181; Communed-143; Lent-78.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE: OFFERINGS

WEEK #7 - 2/18/2024

DESIGNATED OFFERING: Weekly-\$3,949; Ash Wednesday-\$45; Birthday Fund-\$56; Lutheran Witness Sub.-\$28.25.

Lent-\$1,291.01; Fellowship Hall Rent-\$50.

ZION'S SCHEDULE THIS WEEK:

Today	8:45 a.m.	Sunday School
·	8:45 a.m.	Bible Study in Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.	9:00 a.mNoon	Quilting (in old Preschool room)
	6:00 p.m.	Evangelism
	7:00 p.m.	Elders
Tues. 9:00 a.m1:30 p.m.		LWML Quilting (in old Preschool room)
	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study in Chapel
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study in Chapel
	7:00 p.m.	Constitutional Meeting
Wed.	9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study in Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study in Narthex
	5:15 p.m.	Adult Choir in Chapel
	5:45 p.m.	Lenten Meal/Endowment Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study in Sanctuary
	7:15 p.m.	Lenten Service
Sat.	6:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion
Next Sun	n. 8:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	8:45 a.m.	Bible Study in Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship with Communion
	5:00 p.m.	Jr. LYC Bowling
	6:30 p.m.	LYC Bowling

LWML MISSION NOTES: For **FEBRUARY** we are **tying quilts** every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the old Preschool room. Please come and join the fun, you can come for part of the time or all the time, whatever works for you. Bring a sack lunch if you wish to enjoy the fellowship of eating together. We hope you can join us. Also, for **February** we are collecting **bars of soap, dish soap, laundry detergent and Bounce dryer sheets, and also boxes of cereal, oatmeal and breakfast bars, pancake/waffle mix and syrup**. These items will be taken to the shelters. Please place your donations in the Mission tote or on the counter located in the Narthex on the north wall. Thanks for your continued support.

In **MARCH** we will be **collecting items for Camp Okoboji**. Please see the March Newsletter for details.