



Messenger
Zion Lutheran Church
February 2018

Worship Schedule

Traditional 9:00

Contemporary 11:15

Lent begins February 14, Ash Wednesday

Soup Supper 6:00 pm

Services at 12:00 & 7:00

February 21 and 28

Soup Supper 6:00, Lent Service 7:00

824 NE 4th Avenue Camas, Washington

Pr. Thomas S. Tweed

SERVICE

COFFEE HOUR

Feb. 4
Feb. 11 Martha Circle
Feb. 18
Feb. 25 Ladage, Kumar, Stanton

FLOWERS

Feb. 4 Ladage
Feb. 11 Tabler
Feb. 18 McDonald
Feb. 25 Laedtke

LECTORS

9:00
Feb. 4 Youth
Feb. 11 Karen Blair
Feb. 18 Paul Dailey
Feb. 25 Nancy Vargo
11:15
Feb. 4 Youth
Feb. 11 Karen Rezabek
Feb. 18 Norm Bembenek
Feb. 25 Judy Straub
7:00
Feb. 14

ALTAR GUILD

Mary Lynn Bartlett, Patti Gardner,
Ruth Ladage

GREETERS

9:00
Feb. 4 Jean Dossett
Feb. 11 Pat Hagensen
Feb. 18 Hannelore Tweed
Feb. 25 Marilyn Anderson

11:15
Feb. 4 Carol Phillips
Feb. 11 Vicki Stone-Milligan
Feb. 18 Hannelore Tweed
Feb. 25 Judy Straub

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Remember Zion's Endowment Fund

Think about making a planned gift of kindness during your lifetime. There are many options through lifetime giving arrangements that may benefit you, your family, and Zion. Lifetime giving complements your estate planning and often improves your current financial and tax situation. Consider a planned gift of kindness to Zion! For more information call a member of Zion's Endowment Fund team:

Leslee Froehlich	512-925-0391	Bill Danielson	892-9492
Madlin Baltzell	513-3159	Phil Brech	834-5182
Ron McKnight	834-4984		



Prayer Chain

Jean Privratsky, Ruth Hockenbery, Tyler Schafte, Dorothy & Glen Schafte, Jan Stevens, Janette Brandenburger, Ray LeClair and family, Donna MacKinnon

Yoga class now available at Zion!

Yoga promotes a healthy body, peaceful mind and compassionate heart.



Beginning February 1, 8:30-9:30 am, Sinéad Hale (currently teaching S.A.I.L. classes) will guide you through a series of low impact stretching and breathing techniques in her gentle yoga class Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am in the Social Hall.

Payment is on a donation basis; recommended \$3-5 per class, but no one will be turned away for lack of funds.



SOUP SUPPER SCHEDULE



Feb. 14	Council
Feb. 21	Circles
Feb. 28	Men
Mar. 7	Everyone!
Mar. 14	Choir/Praise
Mar. 21	Mission Team
Wednesdays, 6:00 pm	
Ash Wednesday Services	
12:00 noon & 7:00 pm	
Lent Services	
7:00 pm	

Reflect, repent and resolve

On Ash Wednesday, February 14th two services will be held at 12:00 and 7:00 pm. We will bear the mark on our foreheads of the sign of the cross with the imposition of ashes. We will also celebrate the body and blood of Christ with the Eucharist and begin our journey to the cross.





THE CALL

The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul

During the months of February and March we will be reading Adam Hamilton's book, *THE CALL The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul*.

"What would lead a first-century rabbi to travel for thousands of miles by sea and by land, to be beaten, imprisoned, and ultimately beheaded for the faith? It was a call – a call to turn the world upside down. This is the story of the Apostle Paul, whose writings have shaped the lives of one-third of the world's populations, a man second only to Jesus in his influence on Christian faith, and whose witness defines what it means to follow Jesus Christ."

This will be the subject of our 10:00 am Thursday morning Bible Study group and also picked up as the theme for our mid-week Lenten services beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14.

Here is the schedule for Lent and the chapters from Hamilton's book:

- February 14 *Called to Follow Christ*
Paul's Background, Conversion, and Early Ministry
- February 21 *Called to Go*
Paul's First Missionary Journey
- February 28 *Called to Suffer*
Paul's Second Missionary Journey (1)
- March 7 *Called to Love*
Paul's Second Missionary Journey (2)
- March 14 *Called to Give*
Paul's Third Missionary Journey
- March 21 *Called to be Faithful*
Paul's Death and Legacy

The Thursday morning group will begin February 8. Order a book (\$13) on the sign-up sheet in Danielson Hall. A book study reflection night will be held Thursday, March 1 at 7:00 pm for those who are unable to be a part of the morning group.

Circle Meetings

In February, the Bible Study from *Gather* is entitled *Prepare the Way of the Lord* by Mark Alan Powell based on Luke 3:3-17.

Please call the Circle leaders for more details and a warm welcome:

Dorcas -- Tina Bair, 835-2348

Esther -- Bernice Englund - 834-2578

Martha -- Marilyn Anderson - 844-6155



Dorcas - Tuesday, February 6th, 10:00 am

Hostess - Janet Johnson, 14505 Douglas Fir Ct, Vancouver, 213-4746

Esther - Wednesday, February 14th, 10:00 am

Hostess - Kirsti Kumar, 16701 SE 34th Way, Vancouver, 260-4914

Martha - Thursday, February 8th, 7:00 pm

Hostess - Patricia Hagensen, 3813 NE 261st Ave, Camas, 834-3945

Time to collect items PERSONAL CARE KITS

It's time to collect items for Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. The Ingathering will be held February and March. These kits can help victims of natural disasters or refugees maintain personal hygiene while living in temporary shelter. Often they must flee their homes quickly and do not have time to pack essential items.

Containers for the Ingathering will be available in Danielson Hall beginning February 11. Thank you!

ITEM LIST:

Two or three bars of soap (weight 8 or 9 oz) in original packaging (no

mini or hotel size)

One adult toothbrush, original packaging (if multipack, seal each in business envelope)

One sturdy, heavy weight comb, no picks or fine teeth

One metal nail clipper, (may have optional file)



We have a very generous donation of towels which are used to wrap the kit contents. If a financial donation (for shipping, shopping or toothpaste) is your option, make check payable to Zion Lutheran Church with "Personal Care Kit" in the memo line. Thank you!



Working out: now Wednesdays and Fridays

The S.A.I.L. exercise class (Stay Active & Independent for Life) will be meeting at Zion on Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30-11:30 in the Social Hall. The goal is to decrease the risk of falls through greater strength and balance. Led by certified instructor Sinéad Hale (pronounced Shi-NAY), the class is open to adult men and women. Exercises can be done sitting or standing. Wear closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothing. A donation of \$2.50 - \$5.00/session is suggested. For more information about S.A.I.L. please contact NW Orthopaedic Institute at 253-627-5144.



What's Brewing?

Tuesday, February 27

7:00 pm

A Beer At A Time

216 NE 3rd Ave,
Camas

Bring a friend
and join the
discussion!



Noisy Offering Update

February 4 is Souper Bowl Sunday -- bring your noisy change (and silent bills) to help the Interfaith Treasure House food program!

Book Club meets

Our next meeting is Thursday, February 8th at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room to discuss *The Great Eight* by Scott Hamilton with Ken Baker. Comments on the book will be led by Lois Schroeder and treats provided by Judy Swanson. For those of you who finished *The Great Eight* early or who can read two books at once, *Empire of the Summer*

Moon by S.

C. Gwynne

is available

for check

out from

Pat at the



church office. This will be our book selection for our March 8 meeting.



Sing to the Lord!



*Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the
rock of our salvation! Psalm 95:1*

The Zion choir invites you to join us in “making a joyful noise!” this year. Our new director, Barb Ewart, is selecting “singable” music appropriate for a choir of mixed voices and talents. You don’t have to read music, we don’t sing every Sunday, and our rehearsals on Wednesday night at 7:00 PM last only about an hour.

For further information, please contact Pat in the church office.

Lite Side



Since churches outnumber casinos, some worshipers contribute casino chips as opposed to cash. Churches are required to send all the chips into the diocese for sorting. Once sorted into the respective casino chips, one junior priest takes the chips and makes the rounds to the casinos turning chips into cash. And he, of course, is known as the chip monk.

Facts about churches in Las Vegas:

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Knit & Crochet Group meets

Mark Wednesday, February 28 at 1:30 in the Conference Room on your calendar to make prayer shawls, stocking caps, hats or continue whatever current project you’re working on. Bring any yarn you want to share. Call Karen Blair with any questions at 835-3704.

Prayer shawls are created with prayers for healing, comfort and peace

as well as yarn. If you know someone who

needs one, please feel free to select one from the table in Danielson Hall.



Children’s truths about life

You can’t hide broccoli in your milk glass. You can’t trust dogs to watch your plate. No matter how hard you try, you can’t baptize cats. And if your sister hits you, don’t hit her back -- parents always catch the second person.

Film and Faith

Film and Faith is an opportunity to gather at Zion and watch a movie, discuss it together and share in snacks and fun. We have attended some very poignant and provocative movies and others just plain entertaining.



We will kick off 2018 on Friday, February 2, with a showing of --- **Groundhog Day**. This a very funny film starring Bill Murray and Andie MacDowell that also has a very deep and thoughtful premise. Might it be a good introduction to repentance and get us ready for the season of Lent beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14? You may have seen this movie but it will be worth your while to watch it with a fresh take and enjoy the discussion after.

Show starts at 7:00 pm in the Zion theater (Junior Chapel – below the sanctuary).

Bring a snack suitable for munching and sharing with the group.

It's Groundhog Day!



Ladies of Zion:

Join us for **Ladies' Lunch** on Tuesday, February 20th at 12:30 pm at WildFlour Café, 3010 Evergreen Way, Washougal, 835-9075.

Please join us for a wonderful mid-day break with food and fun. All ladies are welcome!

Ladies'
Lunch
Out!

Safe, supported and free: Abel's story *EGYPT ELCA.org/hunger*

Despondent, malnourished and bewildered, Abel arrived in Cairo, Egypt in need of emotional and social support. At 13, the Ethiopian refugee had experienced extreme trauma. He was imprisoned with his family and tortured; he witnessed the execution of his father, and now he was separated from his mother and brother, unsure if he'd ever see them again.

"Everything was dark for me -- I was thinking to end my life. It was too painful to keep thinking of what happened in my life and now being all alone," Abel says of his first months in Cairo. After meeting with a caseworker from the St. Andrews Refugee Service (StARS), things began to improve.

Abel received the counseling and medical services he needed to begin healing physically and emotionally. An ELCA World Hunger grant to StARS provided nourishing meals.

With the help of his caseworker, he got involved in a local program for unaccompanied youth. "I was very scared to join because I had not been in school for many years," Abel remembers. "The first time I felt free was after I started education here."

Being in a safe and supportive environment where he could learn, form positive connections with other youth and adults in the community, and build life skills enabled Abel to pursue other opportunities, eventually leading to resettlement in the US.

Today, Abel is working part-time and studying to receive his high school competency diploma. He credits the support network he had in Cairo with helping him overcome challenges and build a new life. "It has made a big difference," he says.

Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger help provide a safe, nurturing space for young people to grow, heal and rebuild their lives.



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YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

Save these dates!



Souper Bowl Sunday

February 4

9 & 11:15 am services

Please wear your favorite team jersey
and help collect Souper Bowl/Noisy

Offering change for the Treasure House!

SW WA ELCA Synod Youth Retreat

February 9-11 for 6-12th grades at Camp Arnold,
Eatonville WA

Still time to sign up!

February 25, Sunday, 4:30
(set up Feb 24, 7 pm)



Youth Mission Team Dinner & Auction



Coming in March!

Rummage sale

Saturday the 24th

9-1:30, bag sale 1:30-3:00

Zion Youth Mission Trip July 29-August 6

Twinlow Lake with Idaho Mission Project, a
camp-type location which will welcome us to put our
faith into action!

FINANCIAL DIGEST

DECEMBER

BUDGETARY INCOME YEAR/DATE	324,583.15
BUDGETARY EXPENSES	293,060.18

BUDGETARY OFFERING MONTH YEAR/DATE

2017	53,178.67	324,583.15
2016	54,349.25	330,473.75

ATTENDANCE COMPARISON			# of Sundays	Avg/YR to Date
2017	684	7764	52	149
2016	610	8107	51	159



Zion Lutheran Church Staff:

Ministers	Entire Congregation
Senior Pastor	Thomas S. Tweed
Youth Minister	Pam Ensley
Music Staff:	Barbara Ewart, Karen Rezabek, Gary Ritter, Joan Vincent
Nursery Attendants	Lydia Keller, Gabby Treloar Emily McElhaney, Naomi Meeker
Sound Techs:	Andrew McElhaney, Nolan Purkerson
Custodian	Tye Cobb
Council Officers:	Pres. Madlin Baltzell Vice Pres. Mike Spencer, Sec. Barbara West
Administrative Assistant	Patricia Hagensen

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