



Zion Lutheran Church Information Bulletin

Weekend of September 17, 2023

Worship Services: Sat. 5 PM, Sun. 8 AM, Sun. 10:30AM (Family Praise Worship), & Wed. 6 PM

Reflect On His Words

Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Psalm 27:11

Giving Online

Visit our website, www.zionmarengo.net, and click on "GIVING ONLINE" to make a one-time regular offering or set up contributions.

Door Offering: Directors Choice

Director's Choice offering for September is St. Paul's Lutheran School in the Austin neighborhood in Chicago. This Lutheran Inner City School is a sister school with Zion.

No Bible Class

There is no Bible Class or Sunday school today so everyone can share in the special brunch celebration at 9:15AM to wish Pastor & Gina Galligar blessings as they move to Florida. Bible Study & Sunday school will resume next week.

Faith Foundations

You are invited: to be a part of our Fall Faith Foundations Bible course, which will resume next week at 9:30 a.m. in the Zion chapel. This seven-week course is led by Pastor Ripke.

Gather to Celebrate

Gather to celebrate the ministry and work of Pastor and Gina Galligar here at Zion at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday, September 17th in the multipurpose room. We will share food, fellowship, and well-wishes of God's blessings as Pastor prepares to take up his call at Faith Lutheran Church in Lecanto, FL.

Thank you!

Thank you Zion Family!!! You have made Gina and I feel at home from day one. Christmas 2019 is one we will always remember, and the three that came after that one. Our mighty God continues to do His mighty work through the people of Zion and in the Marengo community. We will miss many of you very much, and look forward to all that God has in store for you in the years ahead. Please continue to pray for us as we transition to the place God has called us. He surely has exciting times ahead for us at Faith in Lecanto. Blessings to you all. Here is some contact info that will help those who desire to stay connected: Faith Lutheran Church, 935 S. Crystal Glen Dr., Lecanto, FL 34461. Pastor Galligar's cell: 812-350-7820, email: patrick.galligar@gmail.com. Gina's cell: 812-390-5477, email: gina.galligar@gmail.com

Special Voters' Assembly, Sept. 24

A special voters' assembly will be held Sunday, September 24th, following the 10:30 a.m. service for the purpose of granting Pastor Galligar a peaceful release from his call at Zion and Godspeed as he proceeds to Faith, Lecanto. Time will also be available at the close of the meeting for the first of several town hall-style presentations of opportunities and discussion as we at Zion consider our next steps in mission and ministry.

We want to see you in the directory!!!!

Don't forget to visit zionmarengo.net to update your contact information, add a photo and give permissions. Select Member/Directory and sign in or register. An updated directory will make it so much easier for members to find each other. It will only take you a few minutes. Do it while you have that second cup of coffee. Contact Ruth Zielke 815-245-0353 if you need help.

Join Zion's longest Bible study:

Started before COVID, continued last year, and now coming to a conclusion soon--join in Zion's longest-running Bible study, "LifeLight: Revelation", on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. With five lessons to go, we look to finish this year! Start now and find out about this important book of God's Word!

Old-Time Hymn Sing at St. John's Lutheran Church

You are invited to an old-time hymn sing at St. John's Lutheran Church in Union on Sunday, Sept. 17th at 3 p.m. with a light supper to follow.

New in the Narthex

We have a new September Newsletter, Hope-Full Living, and Portals of Prayer.

Special Prayers

Healing

Richard Stackhouse
Peggy Courier
(niece of Dorothy Fiepke)
Jim Jones
Chris Gieseke
Angela Crawford
Woody Woodruff
Bill Reinke
Peggy Silberhorn
(Susie Silberhorn's sister-in-law)
Herb Vehrs
Trudy Wohnrade
(Catie Hill's Aunt)
Amber Smith
(Bob & Joyce Koplin's Niece)
Samantha Crawford
(Bob & Joyce Koplin's
Granddaughter)

Anniversary Blessings

Pam & Woody Woodruff

Thanksgiving

Ministry of Pastor Glligar

Blessings

Birth of Oliva Grace,
Daughter of of
Justin & Marilyn Rivera

Altar Flowers

Anniversary Blessing Received
Pam & Woody Woodruff's
Anniversary

Thanksgiving for the ministry of
Pastor Galligar.

SCRIP

Orders are due Monday,
September 25th, at 8AM.

Last Week's Attendance

Total - 417

Sat. 5:00 PM..... 95
Sun. 8:00 AM 102
Sun. 10:30 AM 59
Tue. 10:00 AM 17
Wed. 6:00 PM 144

Financial Recap

GENERAL GIVING:

Weekly Budget \$18,000
Week of 9/10/23 \$15,031

St. John's & Zion Youth Group

The youth group, In His Forge is going hiking at Rock Cut State Park this Sunday, September 17th from noon until 4 PM. This event is open to grades 5th-12th. Meet at St. John's in Union at noon. Pack a sack lunch, a water bottle and some money for ice cream. Please RSVP to Mrs. M at 815-341-2848 by Saturday to secure a ride.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g3wBJN-gnVY> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ado6LLWGoLM>

St. John's Krew Kids

St. John's Lutheran Church –Union Krew Kids is for PK - 4th Grade. This is held on Wednesdays from 5:15 PM to 7:00 PM. There will be dinner, fun, & learning to be like Jesus.

Poppin for Athletics

Help support Zion's athletics program by buying some delicious popcorn! There are a variety of popcorn flavors to pick from. We have order forms in the narthex. The fundraiser started on Wednesday, September 6th and is due on Friday, September 22nd. Pick up is to be determined but estimated about Oct. 2nd. Please make out the check to Zion. Thank you for supporting Zion Athletics!

Respect Life

October is Respect Life Month. Listed are some events to consider & pray about:

*Oct 1st Life Chain along Grant Hwy & State St. 1:00-2:00pm

* Zion Marengo to "Help Sponsor a Room" for our East Dundee Maternity Home

* Oct. 7th thru 28th Saturdays at Woodstock Library Pro Life book Club 10:00am

*Oct. 8th ProLife Teen Speaker Event Immanuel Lutheran Crystal Lake 5:00pm

*Oct. 15th Pro Life Rally Woodstock Square -1:00pm

Have you got talent?

If you have a talent for crocheting or knitting beanie style hats for Operation Christmas Child and would like to share your gift, please contact Wanda Stauber at 815-545-4266 and I can get you materials for the project.

Redeeming Life Maternity Home

Maternity home (Redeeming Life) in East Dundee is making great progress. Zion has been invited to participate in Sponsor a Room in our new Northern Illinois Maternity Home. Look for the Poster showing the new items needed & the cost per item to be purchase will soon be on displayed. Zion's men's group Shoptalk is already a hands on group volunteering their time and knowledge of wiring electronic devices for Sponsor a Room. Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry is grateful for the outpouring of love and support Zion Marengo has for the mother and her child in a crisis pregnancy.

SHOPTALK (Men's Ministry here at Zion Lutheran)

SHOPTALK is our Men's Ministry here at Zion Lutheran. Come join us on **Saturday mornings at 7:30 a.m.** in the multi-purpose as we gather together around God's Word. It is a great opportunity for Christian men to get to know each other and grow in our faith. Saturday mornings are filled with "life stories" and "sharing of our walk with Jesus". SHOPTALK reaches out beyond Saturday mornings as we take part in sharing our Christian walk through service events, such as "Habitat for Humanity", "Operation Christmas Child", "Settler's Day" and a new endeavor, "Dartball." Come and join us, as we grow in our Faith Walk. For more information you may contact Ade Zielke, zielkeade@gmail.com or 734-709-2582. Come as often, stay as long as you can!!!

Operation Christmas Child

SCHOOL SUPPLIES of any kind are the items for September. Crayons, scissors, markers, and pencils are much needed. As a convenience for some, a wish list has been created for easy shopping.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3ER84KUMPGGIG?ref_=wl_share.

51 shopping days until our school packing party! Each shoe box we pack is an opportunity to reach a child with the gospel. Shoe boxes and quarter containers are in the narthex to take home. What a blessing you will be! Thank you for your generosity-our boxes will be awesome! Contact Wanda Stauber at (815) 545. 4266 with questions.

Pastor Ripke day off now on Mondays

Pastor Ripke's day off is now on Mondays. Pastor Ripke will continue to be available to respond to urgent spiritual care needs, but all regular inquiries will receive a response Tuesdays through Fridays.

Volunteer Opportunities to make a difference for children & families:

With the new school year starting, some wonderful opportunities are available to volunteer through Zion and make a difference in the lives of children and families:

- 1) English as a Second Language classes—7-10 adult students and their families come to Zion each week through partnership with our friends at St. John's. You can provide support during classes on Monday and Wednesday.
- 2) Rainbows for All Children is a Christian-based program of support for children experiencing difficult situations. You can be a part of the team that is planning to bring this ministry back to Zion. *For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Pastor Ripke.*

Holy Scrap

You can put small items like pop/beer cans, electric wire, tin cans, small appliances and place them in the designated truck or trailer parked by the signs next to the electric pole opposite the front door of the Church. Please secure all small items such as screws, nuts and bolts.

