

ZION NEWS

Sharing the Message of Salvation through Jesus Christ, Strengthening Believers, and Caring for People in Need



“What Possible Good Can Come from Cancer?”

(Here we go again!)

By Pastor Ziemann

By now you’ve probably heard, my lymphoma came back. This time it was caught early, and so the treatment plan going forward looks promising. This doesn’t mean I am happy about this development. Not at all. Chemo treatments and trips into Cleveland weren’t part of my Lent and Easter plans. Neither are the thirty days that are needed to heal from high dose chemotherapy and my auto stem cell transplant. I wasn’t planning time in the hospital (three weeks) and at home (two weeks).

So, what good could come from this? That’s what I’ve been wondering. What is God thinking? He speaks through St. Peter: In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. (1 Peter 1:6-7) And so, for a little while longer I will endure so that my faith will be strengthened, and God glorified. If you remember, I called this time my water into wine moment.

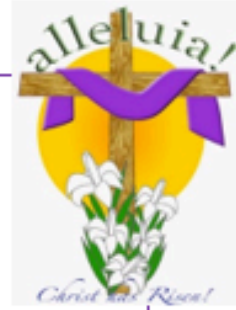
Your trials can result in the same thing. Those nasty delays and inconveniences of life, those unexpected trips to the hospital, the knee gone bad, the therapy that lasts longer than the doctor said, the job layoff, the relationship struggle, all trials – serve for our good and for God’s glory even when we don’t see it. In fact, I like to call them opportunities.

The work and ministry at Zion will move on. Members and circuit pastors are already stepping up to fill the gaps and needs. What can you do for me? Keep praying. I appreciate your cards of encouragement as well. Some have offered meals to help my boys too. I ask that you check with the church office first, though. Please don’t plan on visiting me. I am told I might not feel good enough for visitors nor will my immune system be strong enough to handle germs of any sort. Uninterrupted rest and healing are the orders of the day.

So, here we go again. God has this. Watch Him work...even in cancer.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES



- Sat April 12 6:30 pm Passion Saturday Traditional Service
- Sun April 13 9:00 am Palm Sunday Passion of our Lord
- 11:30 am Palm Sunday Contemporary

- Thu April 17 12:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service w/communion
- 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service w/communion

- Fri April 18 12:30 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service
- 6:30 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service

- Sat April 19 8:00 pm Easter Candlelight Contemporary w/communion
- Sun April 20 6:30 am Easter Sunrise w/communion
- 7:30 am Coffee & pastries in Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 am Easter Festival w/communion
- 10:30 am Breakfast buffet in Fellowship Hall (no Sunday School)



Easter Lily Request - 2025



I'd like to dedicate _____ Easter Lily Plants

Given by: _____

Offering Envelope #: _____

If desired, flowers can be given in memory of: in honor of:

(names) _____

Payment of \$8.75 per plant is due with order. Please submit to the church office by the deadline of Sunday, April 6. *Orders received after April 6 are subject to availability. Thank you!*

RAFFLE BASKETS! DOOR PRIZES!

Colossians
4:5-6

Ages 6 & Up Limited Seating

SPONSORED BY THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Zion Lutheran Church

Seasoned with Salt

Ladies' Tea Party

TICKETS \$5.00 EACH

Join us for light refreshments and a presentation by Candice Zinner from *Salty in Chardon!*

May 24, 2025
508 Mentor Ave. Painesville, OH 44077
1:00 PM TO 3:30 PM

Purchase tickets in the church office
April 27 - May 18 (weekdays 9-4 or Sundays between services)

CONTACT CAROLE COOPER WITH QUESTIONS: CVOCOOPER@GMAIL.COM OR 440-376-7798



April 19
9:30 am to 11:00 am
Fellowship Hall

We will have an opening devotion, prayer, Easter quizzes with prizes, refreshments and socializing.
All ladies are welcome!

Carole Cooper 440-376-7798 cvocooper@gmail.com

Cookbooks have arrived!



The cookbooks have arrived and are ready for purchase! We will be selling them Monday-Friday 9-4 in the office, in between Sunday services, at our April meeting and before the Saturday night services! For more information contact Linda Prib. Cost is \$10 each.

Thank You

We sincerely thank Lora Babic for her servant heart in cooking the delicious meals she planned and served each Wednesday evening during Lent. Lora, you have blessed us with your willingness and joy to feed us such tasty meals. We very much do appreciate the time and kitchen talents you and your husband, Bob, have shared with us with gratitude.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in every one. 1 Cor 12:4-6



Greetings Team Zion. Thank you again for the flurry of activity and blessings that you brought to the Shoebox Ministry in 2024 by supplying 372 Gospel Opportunity Shoeboxes. This year Operation Christmas Child sent over 12 million Shoeboxes! What a blessing.

This past month we have been organizing and taking stock of what is happening here at Zion with our Shoebox Ministry. We are excited to get back to having the workshops and assembling events after Easter. Until then, we have been rearranging our space and assessing our storage needs for the Shoebox supplies.

We are seeking shelving units and clear totes to fill. Do you have empty basement/garage shelving units that you may want out of your house? We certainly could repurpose them for use in our room. We could also fill plastic storage totes that you no longer need.

We have cleaned up the sewing room using much of the fabric for our backpacks, zippered school kits, drawstring pouches and boy shorts. After three years of making these items, we now need a fresh supply of fabric. Do you have a closet of sturdy fabric for back packs? We make the zippered school kits from cloth napkins/placemats and bandanas. Do you have any of those items? They use 10” zippers of which we need more. Our drawstring pouches and boy shorts use lightweight cotton. If you have a shelf of sewing supplies to donate, we certainly would appreciate it. “Let the Shoebox Ministry help you with your Spring cleaning!”

In April we continue to ask for donations for the hygiene/health care kits. We pack toothbrushes in 2-piece cases, chap stick, combs/brushes, sunglasses, tissues, band-aids, washcloths, nail clippers, emery boards, and tweezers. Remember, no liquids, glass that can spill or break, or even toothpaste that tastes sweet and can be mistaken for food.

These kits are packed at our Friday work sessions into bags that our seamstresses have been making this winter. Our sessions are in Zion’s basement on Fridays from 10:00 – noon. We would love to have you join us any week.

Are you already a Shoebox fan? Have you LIKED us on Facebook? Shoebox Team Zion is the address. Check it out. Thank you for all your prayers & support for the Shoebox ministry. Joyfully serving our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ, Eph 3:20-21 Shawn Biese (440-221-8709)



April Hygiene Kits

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| 2-piece Toothbrush Cases | Tissues (personal packs) |
| Toothbrushes | Band-aids |
| Chap Stick | Washcloths |
| Combs/Brushes | Nail Clippers |
| Sunglasses | Emery Boards |
| | Tweezers |

CALL for VOLUNTEERS

EASTER BREAKFAST

Help is needed for the set up and clean up for the Easter Breakfasts being served after both Easter Services. We will meet on Saturday, April 19 at 1:00 pm to prepare and ready the tables. On Sunday we will need assistance to help clean up and help take down the tables and chairs after the meal. Thank you in advance for your assistance. Look for the volunteer sheet on the left side of the mission bulletin board.

OUR GIVING FEBRUARY 2025

	Actual	Budget
Revenue	\$38,425	\$49,809
Expenses	\$55,385	\$47,323

LWML Mission of the Month

Zoe's Home, Trinity Lutheran Church, Clinton, MO – \$75,000

Zoe's Home, a ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church in Clinton, Missouri, helps homeless and at-risk pregnant and parenting women in need. The home enables women at risk of abortion or losing parental custody to overcome their current life situations and obstacles. Residents of Zoe's Home engage in spiritual care through church activities and required Bible studies. The women participate in activities and classes to grow life skills in parenting, finances, cooking, and hygiene. This grant will provide funds to meet the costs to ensure housing, food, transportation, life skills education, case management, and staffing for Zoe's Home. Please continue to fill your Mite Boxes and pray for this mission:

You are Invited!

Ladies, you are invited to attend the annual LWML Northeast Zone Spring Rally being held on Saturday, April 26 at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 2154 SOM Center Road, Mayfield Heights. The Rally starts with a coffee/fellowship time at 9:30 am and the opening at 10 am. Our guest speaker will be Rachel Potts from Lutheran Braille Workers. A monetary ingathering will be taken for that ministry. An ingathering of non-perishable food items for the Our Savior Food Pantry Ministry will also be featured. A luncheon will be served after the rally at \$6 per person. See the poster on the Mission Bulletin Board for more details. PLEASE SIGN THE RESERVATION SHEET ON THE MISSION BULLETIN BOARD IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND. **THE RESERVATION DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, APRIL 20.**

April 6 | 3:30p - 5:30p
Youth Night

YOUTH GROUP

April 12 | 1:30p Movie, "King of Kings"
Atlas Great Lakes Mall (congregation welcome)



Please note: due to movie popularity, advanced tickets are recommended. Go to: <https://atlascinemas.net>.

\$10 for an adult
\$9 for a child
\$9 for seniors

April 25-27 | **Stony Glen Retreat**
Youth meet at Zion Friday @6:00pm
Youth return Zion Sunday @12:30pm

May 4 | 3:30-5:30pm
Youth Night

May 18 | 3:30-5:30pm
Youth Night

A father tells his son the greatest story ever told, and what begins as a bedtime tale becomes a life-changing journey. Through vivid imagination, the boy walks alongside Jesus, witnessing His miracles, facing His trials, and understanding His ultimate sacrifice. The King of Kings invites us to rediscover the enduring power of hope, love, and redemption through the eyes of a child.



Saint James Episcopal Church Choir, Painesville, invites you to an organ recital on Fri., April 4 at 7 pm. The recital will be presented on the church's historic 1926 E.M. Skinner Organ by Mr. Davis Badaszewski (Organist & Choirmaster at St James). The recital is free. Visit www.stjamesoh.org.

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**BOOKS
BLOOMS
& BAKE SALE**

- Over 4,000 gently used adult and children's books
- Large assortment of vintage books
- Used puzzles, musical cd's, and vinyl records, too
- Limited selection of hanging flower baskets & treats
- Free admission

Purchase limited to 25 books per person on the first day of the sale.

St. Mark Lutheran Church
900 Chillicothe Road in Chesterland, OH

May 2nd: 1pm- 7pm (Friday)
May 3rd: 9am-2pm (Saturday)



- 1 Nathan Holste, Finnley Johnson
 2 Timothy Noll, Maria Reigle
 3 --
 4 Janice Shutic, Shawn Biese
 5 Brianna Chuba, Steven Erdman
 6 Daniel Frantz, Linda Somppi
 7 Gavin Green, Elina Spiesman
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 9 --
 10 Sarah Bilicic, Robert Sotock
 11 Isabelle Phillips
 12 Kate Mills
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 14 James Buckley, Andrea Cardina
 15 Mark Brooks, Richard Alden, David Parsons
 16 Dorothy Krug, Steven Franz
 17 Leah Shutic
 18 Heather Surmacz, Jeffrey Davis
 19 Janice Steffens, David Wickman
 20 Thomas Bain, Raymond Sippola, Maureen
 Depenbrok, Nathaniel Campaign, Mark Casler, Nyomi
 Webster
 21 Nicole Wahlstrom
 22 Frank Petrus, Victoria Campaign
 23 --
 24 Ruby Nelson, David Shook, Natalie Galinac,
 Susan Mononen, Sara Borlie, Lauren Sweeney
 25 Bruce Carlson
 26 --
 27 Michael House
 28 --
 29 Christine Snyder
 30 Susan March, Darrell Moses

If your birthday is not listed here, please let the office know.



Check out the OSL bulletin board in the lobby for the latest news or follow [this link](#) to learn what's new at Our Shepherd Lutheran School!



May 2, 2025 7pm
 Zion Lutheran Church
 508 Mentor Ave, Painesville

**FREE & OPEN
 TO THE PUBLIC**

Mozart, Scarlatti, Bach

Flute & Harp Duets

PERFORMERS:
 Kyra Kester, flute
 Dr. Emily Laurance, harp

Free-will donations will be accepted to support our Youth Group in attending a national youth gathering in New Orleans this summer.

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday




Thursday

Friday

Saturday

April 2025



		1 7:00a Men's Bible Breakfast 4:00p ParishScope Deadline 7:30p Scouts	2 9:30a Women/Word 12:30p Lenten Service 1:30p Women/Word 5:30p Lenten Dinner 6:30p Lenten Service	3 9:30a Nursing Home Ministry 11a Food Pantry Groundbreaking 7:00p Praise Band	4 10a Shoebox Workshop	 5 9:00a Sanctuary Cleaning 6:30p Worship Service 7:30p Bible Study	
		6 9:00a Traditional Worship Service 10:15a Sun. School/ Bible Study 11:30a Contemp. Worship Service 12:30p Conf 2 1:30p Conf 1 3:30p Youth	7 6:45p Choir Rehearsal	8 7:00a Men's Bible Breakfast 4:00p ParishScope Deadline 1p Zion Book Club-Hayes Hs 7:30p Scouts	9 9:30a Women/Word 12:30p Lenten Service 1:30p Women/Word 5:30p Lenten Dinner 6:30p Lenten Service	10 9:30a Nursing Home Ministry 7:00p Praise Band 7:00p Council	11 10a Shoebox Workshop
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20 Easter 6:30a Easter Sunrise 7:30a Coffee & pastries Study 9a Easter Festival Service w/communion 10:30a Brkfst Buffett	21 6:45p Choir Rehearsal	22 7:00a Men's Bible Breakfast 4:00p ParishScope Deadline 5:30p Food Pantry 7:30p Scouts	23 9:30a Women/Word 1:30p Women in the Word	24 9:30a Nursing Home Ministry 6p Men's Ministry & Meal 7:00p Praise Band	25 Stony Glen Retreat 10a Shoebox Workshop		26 6:30p Worship Service 7:30p Bible Study
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Jesus lays down His life for...

WORSHIP

TRADITIONAL:

Saturday 6:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

CONTEMPORARY:

Sunday 11:30 am

SENIOR PASTOR

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