



# THE CLARION

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**Regular Worship**

**Hours**

Sundays:

8:00 am Traditional Service

10:30 am Contemporary Service

9:15-10:15 Education Hour for all ages  
Nursery provided from 9:15-11:45am

**New Members?**

If you know of someone who would like to become a member of Zion, please contact the church office.

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Perhaps one of the most famous passages in the Bible that speak of love is I Corinthians 13. There love is described not so much as a feeling but an action. "Love is patient and kind . . . It rejoices in the right . . . It bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things . . ." etc.

On one occasion some lawyers tried to get Jesus into an abstract discussion of what it means to love our neighbor and who our neighbor really was. Jesus responded with an action parable about a man who was going down the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell among robbers; and about a man who came along and bound up his wounds, put him on his beast and took him to a hotel. He was very specific and concrete.

As Christians and as a church it is easy to get caught up in discussing and analyzing the needs of those around us, and analyzing and discussing love as an abstract concept, but then stand back and do nothing about acting in a loving way. Jesus and Paul would never have been comfortable with vague generalities about love. They were concerned about love expressing itself with deeds.

February is the month generally associated with love. That's because of St. Valentine's Day and the custom of sharing cards and other expressions of love. And that is not a bad custom. It's nice to be reminded of the love of another person. But it's also important (especially in marriage) in not only saying the words but putting them into action.

In fact, that's how the Bible speaks about God's love for us. His love is clear not only in words but in action as well. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

In this month of love, and always, we need never question if God loves us. By His words, and by His action, He made it clear: "*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness*" (Lamentations 3:22-23)

+ Pastor Schindler

**Zion's Motto: "At Zion, we are committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved, and serving Jesus Christ by serving others."**



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### *Pastor Greg Ponders...*

*In this Christian Church, [the Holy Spirit] daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. (The Apostle's Creed: Third Article)*

As I once again review the Apostle's Creed for confirmation classes coming up, the Third Article and explanation stands out to me today. With all the "spirituality" talk these days we as Christians need to understand the work of the Holy Spirit. The Third Article of the Creed teaches us about how the Holy Spirit works! He saves us and then keeps us in the Church and in the church daily, He richly forgives all our sins. How does He do this?

Recall Jesus' Baptism. Where was the Spirit? He descended as a dove. St. John tells us that the Spirit "remained with Jesus." That's how you know the Spirit is at work...when He is pointing us to Jesus, testifying of Jesus, delivering Jesus and bringing us to Jesus. That's because the Son of God who took on a human nature and was born with the name Jesus is our Savior. He's the one who has done what we needed for our salvation. He has won for us the forgiveness of sins by His life, death, and resurrection.

Now, in the church, the Spirit delivers that forgiveness. How? Out of the blue? From the middle of nowhere? No! He forgives us by giving us Jesus. Where? In our Baptism. Live daily in the promises of your Baptism. Live happily in the glad confidence that your sins have been forgiven, you have been rescued from death and the devil and that you have eternal salvation.

Where else? In Holy Absolution. Live with the joyful confession that when your pastor absolves you that it's just the same in heaven as it is on earth, for it is as if Jesus Himself was standing there to pronounce you forgiven. Where else? In Jesus' body and blood. Feast upon that food which brings you the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Where else? In the sermon, where Jesus is preached. Bible Study, where Jesus' words are taught. In the Scriptures that bring Jesus.

In all of these ways the Spirit is at work daily and is richly forgiving us our sins. In Christ's church, the Spirit comes to us, through the Word and Sacrament, as through means, to keep us in the one true faith unto eternal life everlasting. Thanks be to God that all that Jesus has done is now made known to us and given out to us by the Spirit working through the Lord's gifts.

*We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who, in highest heaven dwelling With God the Father and the Son, Comforts us beyond all telling; Who the Church, His own creation, Keeps in unity of spirit. Here forgiveness and salvation Daily come through Jesus' merit. All flesh shall rise, and we shall be In bliss with God eternally. (LSB 954 st.3)*

Peace and Joy in Jesus!

Pastor Greg Lehr

# Ryan's Rant

# Youth News



## Ryan's Rant Topic: Are you tired?

Maybe you've heard the phrase in your household before.... "I need some peace and quiet!", or this one, "Quiet down! I can't even think!" In the peace, the stillness, the solitude is where we find **rest**. We know we can find **rest** in Jesus, therefore in Him is the solitude, stillness, and peace. In God we find these things because He is the one that created it all.

There isn't anything God can't handle. Oh yes, He's working all the time in all situations. We all enjoy vacations why? Because we want to get away from it all; we want to get away from the "world" and be at peace, be still, have fun, relax, enjoy the solitude. **Rest**. In God we find the silence and peace. The burdens of the world: sin lifted from us through forgiveness. **Rest**. 'Then Moses and the priests, who are Levites, said to all Israel, "Be silent, Oh Israel, and listen!" (Deuteronomy 27:9). What is God trying to say to us? Can we hear Him? 'Search your hearts and be silent.' (Psalms 4:4). 'But the Lord is in His holy temple: Let all the earth be silent before Him.' (Habakkuk 2:20) Jesus says in Matthew 11, "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened and I will give you **rest**." Jesus also withdrew to silent places to pray. Can you listen if everything around you is noisy? **Rest**, turn off the radio, the cell phone, the television; do you feel awkward and uncomfortable in quietness? That is when we sometimes hear the best. Repent to God, receive His forgiveness. **Rest**, your burden has been lifted. Lean on Him.

I encourage you and your personal relationship with Jesus. Spend some time alone with your Creator, your Savior, the Creator of Love: Jesus. In Him you will find **rest**.

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### Bible Bowl...

Anyone interested in participating in Bible Bowl this year needs to contact Ryan immediately. We would like to put together two teams of 3-4 people. This is a great event and one that Zion has done very well in over the years. We will be meeting weekly - Sunday mornings from 8:00-9:15 to study and prepare starting Sunday Feb. 7th. Contact Ryan with questions. Please sign-up on a team.

## Ski Trip to Terry Peak

We are planning a ski trip to Terry Peak over the weekend of February 12—14. The cost will be variable depending on packages. We will be staying at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Spearfish for the weekend. If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board. There you will find a brochure with all the info. Minimum of 6 youth necessary to go so get other youth to sign up! Deposit of \$25 is due Sunday Feb 7th which is refundable upon departure.

Ash  
Wednesday

The youth will be serving the first dinner for Lent which will occur on Ash Wednesday, February 19. The meal will consist of BBQ's, potato salad, chips and desserts. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are able to participate. Also, we would like you to wear your ZLC t-shirt.



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
YOUTH



# MINISTRY IN ACTION

## 2009 OFFERING STATEMENTS

Please pick up your 2009 Offering Envelope Statements in the hallway leading to the atrium. There are also some 2010 Offering Envelopes that haven't been picked up. If you can't find yours, please contact the church office.

## LWML MONTHLY UPDATE

LWML/Guild Executive Board meeting will be held **Monday, February 8, 2010 at 2:00 pm** in the Conference Room across from the church office.

### February Circle Meetings

Tuesday, February 16th

#### **Lois Circle 9:00 am (Conference Room)**

Hostesses: Lois Jones and Julie Prochniak

#### **Rebekah Circle 2:30 pm (Parish Hall)**

Hostesses: Alverna Anderson, Avis Priest

#### **Mary Circle 7:00 pm (Atrium)**

Hostess: Leanne Knigge, Lenny Hendry

Our meeting topic will be "What Would Joseph say" from the Winter Quarterly. Don't forget to pick up a Winter Quarterly available on the card case in the Atrium.

## SCHEDULE FOR LENT

### Ash Wednesday

February 17

**Lenten Services:** 10:00 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m.

**Lenten Suppers:** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**Adult Choir:** 5:30 p.m.

**Confirmation:** 6:00 to 6:45 p.m.

**LifeLight Bible Study:** 6:00 p.m.

## SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

### Hearts on Fire Dinner and Auction

The Sioux Falls Lutheran School Hearts on Fire Dinner and Auction will be held Saturday, February 13 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Doors open and Silent Auction begins at 5:00 pm; the Buffet starts at 5:45 pm; and the Live Auction begins at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$28.00 per person and can be purchased from Sandy Krause, 334-0308 or at the SCRIPT table in the Atrium between services. This is a fun evening and an excellent way to support Sioux Falls Lutheran School.

### Teddy Bear Tea Party

**February 9 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

#### **Kindergarten Registration**

World Ready and Faith Secure at Sioux Falls Lutheran Kindergarten: Centered on Jesus

Half day or full day kindergarten

Small Classes

Family Oriented

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605-335-1923

[www.siouxfallslutheran.com](http://www.siouxfallslutheran.com)

### SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING

A Special Voters' Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 7 between services. The purpose for this meeting is to elect candidate Mike Helling as Vice-President to the Board of Directors. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

## LENTEN SUPPERS

**5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**

**February 17** - The Youth will be serving: BBQ's, Potato Salad, chips and desserts.

**February 24** - The Boy Scouts will be serving Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwiches, chips, relishes, desserts and beverages.

## February Birthdays

Take time to contact a few people on this list and extend your wishes for a special birthday.  
If your birthday is missing from this list or you know of someone who's birthday is missing,  
please contact the Church Office at 338-5226 so we can update our records.

1 Ernest Sittig	9 Kayla Dittenhauser	14 Tyler Friedrich	20 Taylor Wegehaupt
1 Max Woods	9 Erica Heiden	14 Frank Maltese	21 Jennifer Lee
2 Zach Hawkins	9 Pastor Roy Radloff	14 Michelle McElroy	22 Dale Gabel
2 Jordan Bittner	9 Marilyn Zimmerman	15 Baylee Stathas	23 Nancy Bott
2 Jenina Gatnoor	10 Stacey Boehrns	15 Tyler Phelps	24 Darlene Duprey
2 Chase Kellenberger	10 John Giddings	16 Mary Baer	24 Juliana Nielsen
2 Bev Kerr	10 Hunter Wilson	16 Sophie Baker	24 Julie Prochniak
3 Les Timm	11 Annie Dyce	16 Kaydence Davis	25 Judy Eisenbraun
4 Belva Schindler	11 Kailee Heng	16 Olivia Lundquist	26 John McMahon
4 Marcella Schwarting	12 Alverna Andersen	18 Kyle Callies	27 Florayne Tiemyer
14 Irma Stevenson	13 Chandlar Austin	19 Kaitlynn Clow	27 Ronald Woodward
5 Deng Geang	13 Ken Boettcher	19 Alex Draisey	28 Mike Berg
5 Meghan Hofer	13 Jeff Kaufman	19 Robert Ensz	28 Norah Nelson
7 Michelle Moller	13 Jeanice Klooster	19 Brandon Locke	28 Taylor Roettele
8 Rebecca Johnston	13 Madeline McElroy	19 MacKenzie Watkins	29 Marissa Rober
9 Molly Burgraff	13 Anna Kay Vinz	20 Sue Pew	

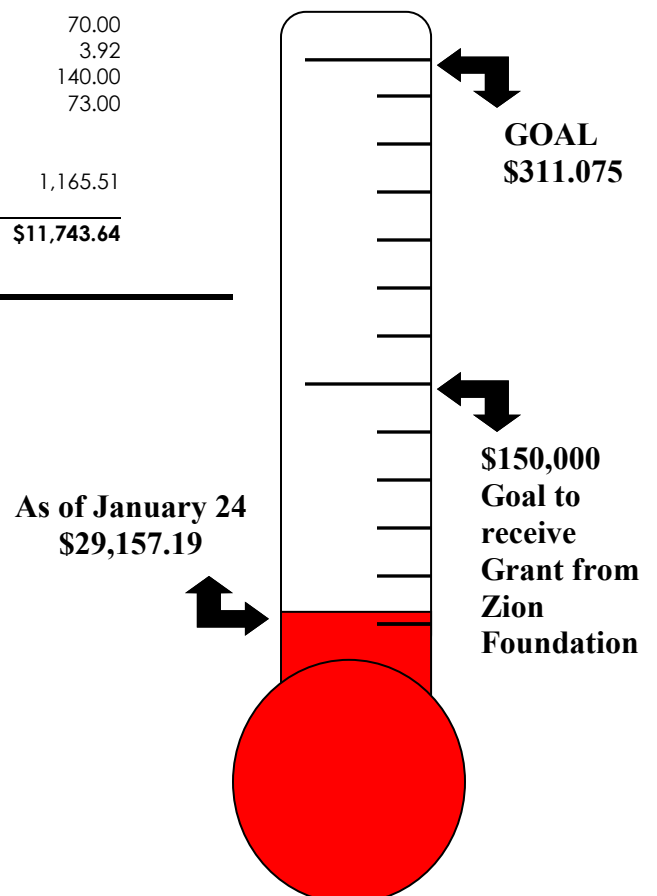
## Giving and Attendance Update

	1-3-10	1-10-10	1-17-10	1-24-10
Home	\$9,713.75	\$ 8,234.72	\$ 8,102.97	\$9,714.28
Missions	530.00	35.00	15.00	5.00
Building Fund	195.00	290.00	325.00	410.00
Radio Broadcast	55.00	5.00	930.00	25.00
World Relief	-0-	10.00	345.00	136.93
Lutheran Hour	20.00	-0-	20.00	
Lutheran School	20.00	90.00	20.00	70.00
Sunday School	4.05	11.50	20.80	3.92
Renovation Fund	290.00	1,085.00	95.00	140.00
Donuts and Coffee	75.00	95.00	95.00	73.00
Food Sunday	65.24	-0-	-0-	
Memorial Designated	110.00	-0-	-0-	
Misc.	249.21	37.10	115.88	1,165.51
Sudanese	-0-	-0-	-0-	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,327.25</b>	<b>\$9,893.32</b>	<b>\$9,973.47</b>	<b>\$11,743.64</b>

## Worship Attendance

Weekend	8:00 am	10:30am	Total	Communion	Guests
Jan 3	121	226	347	115	27
Jan 10	120	206	326	160	12
Jan 17	172	245	417	140	33
Jan 24	117	246	363	189	18

Renew  
Renovate  
Rejoice



## February 7

### 8:00 am (Communion)

**Elders:** \* Alan May, Dennis Werner, Craig Fitterer

**Usher:** Lee Hermerding, Steve Bott  
Don Fick, Dianne Brockberg

**Reader:** Sandy Jerke

**Greeters:** Glenda Stene, Lois Jones

**R. Broadcaster:** John Kritzmire

**PowerPoint:** Armen Janjigian

### 10:30 am

**Elder:** \* Alan May

**Usher:** Boy Scouts

**Reader:** Connie Rames

**Greeters:** Joyce Dabbert, Donna Crichton

**PowerPoint:** Armen Janjigian

## February 14

### 8:00 am

**Elder:** \* Jeremy Olawsky

**Usher:** Hal Frenzt, Doug Callies  
Jerry Gibson, Paul Marvin

**Reader:** Lisa May

**Greeter:** Wilma Siemers, Judy Bittner

**R. Broadcaster:** Paul Farmer

**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian

### 10:30 am (Communion)

**Elder:** \* Jeremy Olawsky, Joe Simonson, Dave Rames

**Usher:** Dave Rames, Dennis Werner  
Randy Brunick, Craig Fitterer

**Reader:** Stephanie Heiden

**Greeter:** Jolene Dyce, Margie Wiebers

**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian

## February 21

### 8:00 am (Communion)

**Elder:** \* Dennis Werner, Jeremy Olawsky, Alan May

**Usher:** Arden Waag, Myra Dole  
Wally Anderson, Craig Stember

**Reader:** Dale Brockberg

**Greeter:** Steve and Nancy Bott

**R. Broadcaster:** Jeff Flaten

**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian

### 10:30 am

**Elder:** \* Dennis Werner

**Usher:** Brian Frenzt, Joe Simonson

Dale Brockberg, Sandy Jerke

**Reader:** Bob Portice

**Greeter:** Brad and Jill Powell

**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian

## February 28

### 8:00 am

**Elders:** \* Joe Simonson

**Usher:** Steve Stember, Dennis Stene  
Rose McGaha, Leroy Voegeli

**Reader:** Kayla Dittenhauser

**R. Broadcaster:** John Kritzmire

**Greeter:** Vicki Klemme

**PowerPoint:** Armen Janjigian

### 10:30 am (Communion)

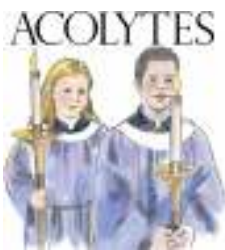
**Elder:** \* Joe Simonson, Dave Rames, Jeff Kaufman

**Usher:** Jim Bosley, Jason Bosley  
Matt Keiper, Dewayne Keiper

**Reader:** Mary Hoon

**Greeter:** Dale and Marlys Brockberg

**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian



### 7-Feb

8:00 Caden Goetschius

10:30 Kelsie Massmann

### 14-Feb

8:00 John Dyce

10:30 Lee Radke

### 21-Feb

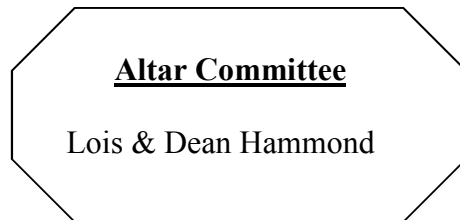
8:00 Kayla Dittenhauser

10:30 Aimee Sebesta

### 28-Feb

8:00 Rhiana Liesinger

10:30 Madelyn Frenzt



### Altar Committee

Lois & Dean Hammond



### Organists

Brenda Olson  
Jane Kurth

### Pianists

Carrie Johnson  
Mindy Paszek



### February 7

Renee & Regan Lehr

### February 14

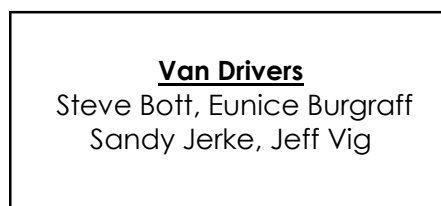
Nancy & Kendall  
McMahon

### February 21

Bev Kerr,  
Madeline Frenzt

### February 28

Jill Powell,  
Meghan Hofer



### Van Drivers

Steve Bott, Eunice Burgraff  
Sandy Jerke, Jeff Vig



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