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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

**Interested in joining Zion?**

Please call or stop by the  
church office to find out  
how you can become a  
member of Zion.



As soon as you know your new address,  
please give us the following information.



<b>Name</b>	<b>Cell/Home Phone #</b>
<b>Old address</b>	
<b>New address</b>	
<b>Date new address in effect</b>	
<b>Email address</b>	

**HOSPITALIZED**

Marcella Schwarting, while  
visiting in New Mexico, fell  
and broke her hip. You may  
send a card or phone her at:

Marcella Schwarting  
c/o St. Vincent's Medical Center  
Room 1308  
455 St. Michaels Drive  
Sante Fe, NM 87505  
(cell) 605-254-5472

**NEW BIBLE STUDY  
OPPORTUNITY**

Pastor Schindler will  
begin a special 9 week  
Bible Study during the  
Education Hour  
starting  
January 31.

Plan to attend.

**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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## Maintenance versus Mission

As we enter 2010, I think it is good to ask: Is Zion Lutheran Church “committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved, and serving Jesus Christ by serving others”? Are we a “Maintenance Congregation” or a “Mission Congregation”? What is the difference you may ask? Please read on.

1. **In measuring effectiveness**, the Maintenance Congregation asks “How many pastoral visits are being made?” The Mission Congregations ask, “How many disciples are being made?”
2. **When contemplating change**, the Maintenance Congregation says “If this proves upsetting to any of our members, we won’t do it.” The Mission Congregations say, “If this will help us reach someone on the outside, we’ll take the risk.”
3. **When considering change**, the majority of members in a Maintenance Congregation ask, “How will this affect me?” The majority of members in the Mission Congregation ask, “Will this increase our ability to reach those outside?”
4. **When thinking of its vision for ministry**, the Maintenance Congregation says, “We have to be faithful to our past.” The Mission Congregation says, “We have to be faithful to the future.”
5. **The pastor in the Maintenance Congregation says to the visiting guest**, “I’d like to introduce you to some of our members.” In the Mission Congregation the members say, “We’d like to introduce you to our pastor.”
6. **When confronted with financial challenges**, the Maintenance Congregation asks, “What can we do to reduce the budget.” The Mission Congregations prays, “Lord use us and help us to meet these opportunities.”
7. **The leadership style** in Mission Congregations is transformational, casting vision and marching off the map in order to bring that vision into reality.
8. **The Mission Congregation is concerned with culture**, understanding how secular people think and what makes them tick. It tries to address their needs and points of accessibility to the Gospel.
9. **When thinking about growth**, the Mission Congregations asks, “How many un-churched people live within a twenty-minute drive of this congregation?”
10. **When looking at the community**, the Mission Congregation asks, “How can we support these people?”

We are called to be a church in mission. As we move into 2010, I ask you to join me in strengthening Zion as a “Mission Congregation.” I see three top priority needs:

### 1. Outreach and Mission

In the past, Zion members were noted for their outreach and mission zeal by being the largest supporter of the District and Synod through our mission offerings, meeting needs of people through sponsoring an immigrant family, organizing mission trips to Haiti, witnessing to the community through the presentation of “The Streets of Bethlehem,” being a part and helping Sioux Falls Lutheran School get started, and many more.

Now is the opportunity for the present members of Zion to meet the needs of God’s people here in Sioux Falls and around the world.

### 2. Repair and Maintenance

Our present sanctuary, dedicated in 1954, has had limited up-dating. In providing a beautiful worship space, members voted as a congregation to install new lighting, replace old carpeting, and make other improvements.

### 3. Debt Elimination

The members have made a wonderful investment with the addition of the Atrium. The purchase of the “609” property, across the street, began the process of acquiring adjacent properties to meet needs such as parking. Paying off the current long-term debt – currently totally about \$669,068.23 – will free up vital resources that can be used for additional ministry.

As we move into the future, I always pray that God give us new eyes to see where He is already working. **Thanks for your partnership in the gospel.**

+ Pastor Schindler

# Ryan's Rant

Greetings in Christ!

A reading from (2Tim 6-10)

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline."

So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God, who has saved us and called us to a holy life-not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."

The apostle Paul was writing from prison to Timothy in encouragement to be faithful, and to continue the call of the great commission, given to us by Christ.

I ask this month that we reflect on verse 7 where it says, "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline." We are not called to be timid but powerful, loving, and determined in spirit. Christ's example of power, love, and determination on the cross eternally saves us! May the spirit in us overflow onto others in **power** and **love**.

Christ in us the hope of Glory!  
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**Jan Happenings:**  
**Jan 1—New Years Day!**  
**Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Jr+Sr High Sunday School**  
**Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 Confirmation Classes**  
**Jan 3rd—Deadline for Sr. High Retreat Forms, and \$15 due.**  
**Jan 8,9,10th—Sr. High Winter Retreat!**  
**Jan 29-30th Jr. High Lock-in YES!**  
**Jan 31st—Youth Sunday**  
**(Warm up your singing voices and sign up for a spot)**

# YOUTH NEWS!

## Ski Trip!

**Don't Forget to Pick up a form for the Sr. High Ski-trip. Feb. 13-15th at Terry Peak in the Black Hills. Found on the youth bulletin board.**



### 3-Jan

8:00 Jessie Rames  
10:30 Noah Werner

### 10-Jan

8:00 Clark Frentz  
10:30 Meghan Hofer

### 17-Jan

8:00 Lauren Kulzer  
10:30 Emily Phelps

### 24-Jan

8:00 Curt Flaten  
10:30 Jesse Coufal  
**31-Jan (Youth Sunday)**  
8:00 Andrea Eisenhauer  
10:30 Tyler Phelps

"Christianity without discipleship is always Christianity without Christ"  
-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

## Ministry in Action....

### Thank you!

During the Christmas season, Belva and I received many Christmas cards, gifts and expressions of thoughtfulness (which is a gift in itself). THANK YOU for these expressions of love and support this Christmas. May God richly bless you, as you have blessed us.

+ Pastor Schindler

### LWML Monthly Update

LWML/Guild Executive Board meeting will be held **Monday, January 11, 2010 at 2:00 pm** in the Conference Room across from the church office.

### January Circle Meetings

Tuesday, Jan. 19th

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

Hostesses: Betty Schultz and Jan Frentz

#### **Rebekah Circle 2:30 pm (Conference Room)**

Hostesses: Sunhild Muldbakken & Charlotte Schwab

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

Hostess: Judy Bittner

Our meeting topic will be "Heart" Matters: A Look At Mary from page 16 in the Winter Quarterly. Don't forget to pick up a Winter Quarterly available on the card case in the Atrium.

### College Students (new or returning)

If you are attending college and going into church work don't miss this opportunity to apply for a scholarship sponsored by the LWML. Contact the church office for an application.

### Open House Invitation

You're invited to a 98th Birthday celebration for Ernest Sittig on Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 2:00 pm—4:00 pm in the Atrium. No Gifts Please—Cards can be sent to him @ Prairie Crossings Assisted Living, 1806 S Dorothy, Sioux Falls SD 57106.

### Community News

Open Arms Christian Child Development Center Pre-Enrollment Waiting List Now Open!!

Open Arms Christian Child Development Center located at Resurrection Lutheran Church is now accepting pre-enrollment applications. Please contact Director Stacy Maier for more information, or to schedule a tour and complete an application.

Stacy Maier /Church office 361-6631  
director@resurrectionlutheransf.org

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3rd Annual Circuit Volleyball Tourney For Life

Who has the best Volleyball team? Get a team together and see at the 3rd Annual Circuit Volleyball Tourney For Life.

Check Sunday bulletins for Volleyball Tourney Insert.

All proceeds for the tournament and the supper will go to benefit the **Alpha Center in Sioux Falls.**

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**The Medical Foster Home Program** at the Sioux Falls VA Medical Center is looking for caregivers willing to open their homes to provide 24-hour care for Veterans unable to live alone due to health problems. This is an opportunity to work in your own home and to provide quality care for those who have served our country. Please call Kris Breitag, Medical Foster Home coordinator, at 605-333-6861 for more information.

## January Birthdays

Take time to contact a few people on this list and extend your wishes for a special birthday.  
If you know of a October birthday that is not on the list, the church office does not have the information.  
Please call us at 338-5226 so we can update our records.

1 Marilyn Meinke	9 Michael Duffy	18 Jeff Watkins	29 Justin Halsne
1 Robin Davis	9 Gordon Fox	18 Erica Knigge	29 Talon Schaffer
1 Rania Davis	9 John Klooster	19 Gary Gottschalk	30 Jeff Thompson
1 Braedon McCollum	9 Kelsey Vig	19 Kathleen Hamilton	30 John Dyce
2 Barb Langpap	10 Hal Frenz	20 Susan Behlings	30 Dylan Fandel
2 Steven Boff	11 Merry Wachal	20 Pastor Vern Schindler	30 Kaiden Fandel
2 Ann Kulzer	11 Doug Callies	21 Eugene Schultz	30 Laurel Roth
2 Darren Lee	12 Catherine Branen	23 Mike Dressler	31 Amy Alberts
3 Kim Richardt	12 Olivia Brost	24 Addison Brech	
4 Jolene Reichelt	13 Jenna Maxwell	25 Lexi Fox	
5 Cory Kritzmire	13 Lisa Petheram	26 Tiffany Kolar	
5 Lisa Raabe	13 Daniel Teske	26 Roselyn Olson	
6 Marissa Hofer	14 Georg O'Brien	26 Chelsea Brech	
7 Merrill Reisenweber	14 Mindy Paszek	26 Jonathon Schmidt	
7 Leann Werner	16 Terry LaFrenz	27 Jeff Schultz	
7 Eric Kritzmire	16 Roger Sudbery	27 Tonya Rausis	
7 Jeremy Olawsky	16 Julie Beaner	28 Jill McMillen	
8 Jared Heiden	16 Aimee Sebesta	28 Brady Wegehaupt	
8 Katie Andresen	17 Janice Haas	29 Dawn Narveson	
8 Amelya Meier	17 Justin Bauer		

## Giving and Attendance Update

	12/06/09	12/13/09	12/20/09	12/27/09
Home	\$12,301.10	\$ 10,575.25	\$10,300.25	\$8,020.17
Missions	45.00	1,005.00	210.00	-0-
Building Fund	380.00	305.00	495.00	455.00
Radio Broadcast	525.00	135.00	20.00	50.00
World Relief	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Lutheran Hour	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Lutheran School	255.00	70.00	50.00	50.00
Sunday School	14.28	7.50	9.11	-0-
Renovation Fund	440.00	4,726.00	1,305.00	1,850.00
Food Sunday	119.00	-0-	-0-	-0-
Memorial Designated	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Misc.	-0-	755.00	115.88	20.00
Sudanese	2.50	-0-	-0-	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,081.88</b>	<b>\$17,616.25</b>	<b>\$12,505.24</b>	<b>\$10,455.17</b>

**\*NEEDED WEEKLY: \$13,000.00**

## Worship Attendance

Weekend	8:00 am	10:30am	Total	Communion	Guests
Dec. 06	138	263	409		35
Dec. 13	135	263	406		32
Dec. 20	152	281	433		46
Dec. 27	54	123	177		27

# January 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					Jan 1 <b>New Years Eve Day</b> <b>Office closed</b>  6pm Cooke/Young Wedding Reh.  7pm-8am Boy Scout lock-in	2   3pm Cooke/ Young Wedding
<b>3 Food and Dollar Sunday</b> 9:15am— Education Hour 11:00 am Sudanese Worship 6:30 pm Single Focus	4	5 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Trustee Meet- ing 7:00 pm YLT Meeting	6 12:00 pm Prayer Time 6:30 pm Adult Choir Reh. (Sant) 6:30 –8:00 pm Confirmation for 6th, 7th, 8th graders	7 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study 7:00 pm Worship Team Reh	8 8:30am—12pm MSL Recording (Pastors)	9
10 9:15am— Education Hour (preschool—Adult) 11:00 am Sudanese Worship 6:30 pm Koinonia CC	11 2:00 pm LWML Executive Board Meeting	12 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 10:30 am Senior Fellowship 7:00 pm Board of Elders Meeting	13 12:00 pm Prayer Time 6:30 pm Adult Choir Reh. (Sant) 6:30 –8:00 pm Confirmation for 6th, 7th, 8th graders	14 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study 7:00 pm Worship Team Reh	15	16
17 9:15am— Education Hour (preschool—Adult) 11:00 am Sudanese Worship 4:30 pm Empty Nesters (at)	18	19 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Lois Circle (at) 2:30 pm Rebekah Circle (at) 5:30 pm Board of Directors 7:00 pm Mary Circle (at)	20 12:00 pm Prayer Time 6:30 pm Adult Choir Reh. (Sant) 6:30 –8:00 pm Confirmation for 6th, 7th, 8th graders  <b>CLARION DEADLINE</b>	21 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study 7:00 pm Worship Team Reh	22	23 10:00 am—3pm Kids Crossing –Record New episodes
24 9:15am— Education Hour (preschool—Adult) 11:00 am Sudanese Worship 6:30 pm Koinonia CC (Conference Room)	25 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (at)	26 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	27 6:30 pm Adult Choir Reh. (Sant) 6:30 –8:00 pm Confirmation for 6th, 7th, 8th graders	28	29	30 2-4:00 pm Birthday Open House for Ernest Sittig
31 9:15am— Education Hour (preschool—Adult) 11:00 am Sudanese Worship						

# Serving the Lord in January 2010

## January 03

### **8:00 am (Communion)**

**Elders:** \* Joe Simonson, Dave Rames, Jeff Kaufman  
**Usher:** Lee Hermerding, Steve Bott, Don Fick, Dianne Brockberg  
**Reader:** Dale Brockberg  
**Greeters:** Steve & Nancy Bott  
**R. Broadcaster:** John Kritzmire  
**PowerPoint:** Armen Janjigian

### **10:30 am**

**Elder:** \* Joe Simonson  
**Usher:** Doug Kraayenhof, Sandy Jerke, Mike & Teresa Berg  
**Reader:** Bob Portice  
**Greeters:** John & Mary Giddings

## January 10

### **8:00 am**

**Elder:** \* Dennis Werner  
**Usher:** Hal Frentz, Doug Callies, Jerry Gibson, Paul Marvin  
**Reader:** Kayla Dittenhauser  
**Greeter:** Vicki Klemme , Illa Biteler  
**R. Broadcaster:** Paul Farmer  
**Power Point:** Armen Janjigian

### **10:30 am (Communion)**

**Elder:** \* Dennis Werner, Alan May, Jeremy Olawsky  
**Usher:** Evie Meier, Jim Consoer, Mike Dressler, Mark Heiden  
**Reader:** Mary Hoon  
**Greeter:** Doug & Nancy Kraayenhof

## January 17

### **8:00 am (Communion)**

**Elder:** \* Craig Fitterer, Dennis Werner, Joe Simonson  
**Usher:** Arden Waag, Myra Doyle, Wally Anderson, Craig Stember  
**Reader:** Jody Bymers  
**Greeter:** Cathy Branen & Diane Brockberg  
**R. Broadcaster:** Jeff Flaten  
**Power Point:** Armen Janigian

### **10:30 am**

**Elder:** \* Craig Fitterer  
**Usher:** Eric Dabbert, Lyle Dabbert, Steve Hendry, Ed Wiedecker  
**Reader:** Suze Frentz  
**Greeter:** Eileen Sturzenbecher, Janice Haas

## January 24

### **8:00 am**

**Elders:** \* Dave Rames  
**Usher:** Steve Stember, Dennis Stene, Rose McGaha, Leroy Voegeli  
**Reader:** Susan Krank  
**R. Broadcaster:** John Kritzmire  
**Greeter:** Dennis Kunkel, Diane Brockberg  
**PowerPoint:** Armen Janjigian

### **10:30 am (Communion)**

**Elder:** \* Dave Rames, Alan May, Jeremy Olawsky  
**Usher:** Brad Powell, Bart Viss, Jeff Dyce, Ann Dyce  
**Reader:** John Kritzmire  
**Greeter:** Max Kirlin , Jewell Gimble

## January 31 (No Communion– Youth Sunday )

### **8:00 am**

**Elder:** \* Jeff Kaufman  
**Usher:** Lee Hermerding, Steve Bott, Don Fick, Dianne Brockberg  
**Reader:** Youth Readers  
**R. Broadcaster:** Paul Farmer  
**Greeter:** Sunhild Muldbakken, Dorothy Radloff  
**Power Point:** Armen Janigian

### **10:30 am**

**Elder:** \* Jeff Kaufman  
**Usher:** Wendell Bouwman, Pat Ebert, Mike Pierce  
**Reader:** Youth Readers  
**Greeter:** Donna Kohlmeyer & Joe Simonson

### Altar Committee

Vera Roberts  
Lois Jones  
Van Drivers  
Jeff Vig  
Steve Bott  
Sandy Jerke  
Eunice Burgraff

### Organists

Brenda Olson  
Jane Kurth  
Pianists  
Carrie Johnson  
Mindy Paszek



### **Jan. 3**

Jill Powell & Morgan Werner

### **Jan. 10**

Tracie Phelps & Emily Phelps

### **Jan. 17**

Carol Flaten & Cameo Berg

### **Jan. 24**

Heather Kellenberger & Kendall McMahon

### **Jan. 31**

Pam Kludt & Angel Berg



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 Les Timm, Treasurer (582-6838)  
 Marc Bauer, Sec. (371-4210)  
 Craig Fitterer, Head Elder (331-6924)

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Paul Farmer (371-1129)  
 Roger Corkill (334-3250)  
 Paul Marvin (929-8655)  
 Clare Helling (332-5352)  
 Lisa Pierce (362-8138)

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 Joe Simonson (334-0201)  
 Jeremy Olawsky (351-1541)  
 Alan May (361-0923)  
 Doug Callies (371-1727)

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