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Leadership Board Meeting

Book Club

Property Meeting

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Stewardship Meeting

Women of Heart

And more...



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Why Contribute to the Endowment?

What is the Mt Zion Endowment Fund and Why Contribute?

It helped former Mt Zion member Perrie Dralle pay for her seminary education to become an ELCA pastor. She accepted her first full-time call as an ELCA last year. Before that, she worked part-time in a pastoral position with Mt Zion's youth.

Last year, it provided \$10,000 in matching funds to help pay for a new boiler to keep us warm in church.

It was also used a few years ago to help Mt Zion refinance its mortgage, making it more affordable.

"It" is the Mt Zion Endowment Fund, which is an investment fund, the earnings of which can be used to support very specific growth aspects of Mt Zion's ministries, such as member scholarships for Lutheran education and capital improvements for our property.

"Donations to the Endowment Fund are invested for the future, so that as the fund grows, it can be used for important reasons," said Gail Robinson, leader of the Endowment Committee. "It's an investment in our church."

Learn more about planned giving and how you can support Mt Zion's ministries now and in the future. Join us at the Adult Forum on Sunday, January 23, at 9:45 a.m., and bring your questions. Cynthia Halverson, a financial expert with the ELCA Foundation, which manages Mt Zion's Endowment Fund, will speak about estate planning and various ways you can make a legacy gift. Location: Upper Room or participate via Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84165972335?pwd=a012NWgxbHVCdzVHZ0VEWFNRczNBUT09>

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January 23 to January 30

Sun Jan 23	8:30a Traditional Worship Service 9:40a Faith Formation (Adult, Youth, Sunday School) 10:45a Praise and Worship Service 5:00p MZY Journey Confirmation
Mon Jan 24	7:00p Book Club 7:00p NA 12-Steps
Tues Jan 25	12:00p AA 12 Steps Meeting 6:30p Hands of AA 12-Step Meeting 7:00p Pets Helping People Fellowship Hall
Wed Jan 26	12:00p Brown Bag Bible Study 1:00p Prayer Warriors 4:30p Staff Meeting
Thurs Jan 27	6:30p Voices of Zion Choir Rehearsal 7:30p Festival Bells Handbells Rehearsal
Fri Jan 28	7:00p ACA 12-Step Group 7:30p Essay 12-step group [meeting virtually]
Sat Jan 29	8:30a Women of Heart Bible Study
Sun Jan 30	RIC Sunday 8:30a Traditional Worship 9:40a Faith Formation (Adult, Youth, Sunday School) 10:45a Praise and Worship Service



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Adult Forum Schedule

Jan 23: Thoughtful Estate Planning
and Giving with Cynthia Hal
verson

Jan 30: Covid Open Discussion

Feb 6: Semi-Annual Meeting

Feb 13: MICA presentation with
Lisa Jones

Call in to Worship

Listen to Worship
(and other events)
through Zoom

No internet? Call in through Zoom instead!
Call **312.626.6799**. When Zoom picks up...

- 1) Dial the **Meeting ID 841 6597 2335** and press #
- 2) 2) Press # again
- 3) Dial the **Passcode 12012** and press #

Scripture Readings

For January 23

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

For January 30

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

John 2:1-11

LIFTING UP OUR PRAYERS

This Week's Prayer List

<https://bit.ly/3nHCJo6>

Prayer Warriors
Wednesdays
1:00pm

Sunday School Corner



Thank you all for your patience as well come together and pave our way into yet another new and unconventional year. Thankfully, we have a tremendous group of children, parents, and teachers who are supported by our faithful congregation. Whether you are coming to Faith Formation in person or worshiping at home, we respect your choice and are looking forward to the time when all of us can get together in larger numbers.



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Our Sunday School children began their new lesson (Jesus at the Temple. Luke 2: 41-52) with a scavenger hunt and a cooking lesson. This week we will have a science lesson prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. If you are worshiping at home, please take time to read the Bible lesson with your children. We also have a great brary located in room 203 on the second floor. Please feel free to stop by during the week to check out a book about Jesus and the Temple to help your children remain connected to our ongoing lessons.



Faith Formation

9:40-10:00 Music with Mr. Peterson (Room 217-218)

10:00-10:40 Science with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson (Room 219-220) for all children in grades Kindergarten through 5th Grade

10:00-10:40 Preschool with Mrs. Downs (Room 204-205) for all 3 and 4-year-old children

Brenda

Prison Ministry

If you are writing to someone in a Wisconsin prison, please be aware of the new mail process.

All personal mail shall be addressed in the following manner

PIOC full name (first and last) and DOC #
Correctional Facility name (do not abbreviate)
PO Box 189
Phoenix, MD 21131

As usual return address should include your name and Mt Zion Lutheran Church 12012 W North Ave, Wauwatosa, WI 53226

Mail will be copied and then sent to prison resident from this service
With covid restrictions, mail is even more important to one in prison!

Thank you
Jean Morack

Mission of the Month

The Good Samaritan

Outreach's Mission of the Month for January is raising funds for Mt. Zion to respond. The Priest and Levite did not stop to help the attacked man but went to their destination. The Samaritan stopped. Mt Zion will be the Samaritan giving the two silver coins to take care of the families in need.

We may be called to:

- Help with rent
- Help with utilities
- Help with bus tickets
- Help with food or clothing
- Help finding social services for jobs and counseling

Mt Zion stops to become Good Samaritans as we
walk with families in our community.

If you need assistance contact the church office.
Your request is kept in confidence.

Catch some MTZzzzzzzzzzzs

Bedtime Books

Put on your jammies, grab a blanket, then snuggle up to enjoy a bedtime story via Zoom!

Thursdays from 7:00-7:30p

Books and stories will be biblically or faith based and read by a volunteer.



This new program is open to families in and around Mt Zion, Wauwatosa, Milwaukee and wherever else our Zoom link will reach! The goal is to promote regular reading to *all children*, inspire using uplifting stories, and build community with those around us.

Would you like to volunteer to read a book? We're looking for adults of all ages to read books during a Thursday evening story time. If you love to read books and would like to read to children, email Jessica at parishadmin@mtzionlutheran.org.

Your Estate. Your Legacy.



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Mt. Zion and its ministries mean a lot to you. And they mean a lot to the communities they serve. The ELCA Foundation is here to help you ensure the continuation of God's work in the world for years to come. **Meet Cynthia at the Adult Forum on January 23rd, 9:45 a.m.!!**

Gift planning services for individuals:

We can help you navigate your options to create a gift plan that benefits the ministries that mean the most to you, while maximizing your financial and estate-planning goals. Options include:

- Gifts made through wills, trusts or estates
- Charitable gift annuities
- Donor-advised funds
- Named endowment funds
- Gifts of cash, securities and real estate
- Qualified charitable distributions from your IRA
- And more

Gift planning services for congregations:

We offer expertise and guidance for congregations exploring their options for endowment investing and planning for the future. We offer:

- Endowment fund planning and guidance
- Gift planning education, through seminars on wills, estate plans and charitable gift planning
- Investment options for endowments, including the ELCA Endowment Fund Pooled Trust

Meet Your Regional Gift Planner

Cynthia [Cindy] Halverson

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Sunday, January 23

Gifts that Nurture Mission and Ministry through Mt. Zion Lutheran Church -

On Sunday, January 23, 2022, at 9:45 a.m., Cynthia Halverson, with the ELCA Foundation and Lutheran Planned Giving of Wisconsin, will be on-line and in person to share powerful information on creating your Legacy Plan. This presentation will get you thinking about the gifts you've received throughout your lifetime, and how your family and ministry can benefit from these gifts to make a lasting and meaningful impact in this world through our congregation and beyond.

Cindy will include an overview of how to make informed decisions -- while always considering your current needs as well as your loved one's future needs. One on one follow up appointments are available to answer your personal questions, confidentially.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88443186763?pwd=RnZoVG8CdU9uNndWcHEyUE5GR3A0dz09>



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ELCA Foundation Resources

Find these resources and more at ELCA.org/foundation.

[Gift comparison chart](#)

[Will and trust workbook](#)



[Important notes about my estate: A helpful guide for my family and friends](#)



Science Tidbits

Why Have We Heard Nothing About Alternatives?

Yesterday I heard on the radio someone's response when asked how best to protect yourself from Covid: "Vaccine, vaccine, vaccine. Run, don't walk, to your nearest injection site and get inoculated immediately."

Is it fair to the American people when this is the only narrative offered to them? When any discussion of alternative approaches to treatment is swiftly and totally squelched? When doctors are fired for prescribing safe medications that have shown great promise for battling the virus? When there is no forum available to discuss these issues in a respectful, civil manner?

As a scientist I find this alarming, for the scientific method encourages the testing of alternative hypotheses, regardless of how far-fetched they may seem. And the proof of the pudding is in the data collected in carefully controlled experiments that are published in peer-reviewed journals. Let me give you an example. Many years ago, the prevailing treatment for stomach ulcers was oral antacids, but an upstart graduate student, Barry Marshall, proposed the culprit was a type of bacteria. Laughed off the stage at a science meeting, he and his mentor later proved them wrong (for which they won the Nobel Prize), and now the accepted treatment is a cocktail of antibiotics.

Don't get me wrong. I've been vaccinated for Covid, but I was given no choice if I wanted to travel, plus I'm in the highest risk group. It's a different matter for younger, lower risk people, especially children, when the long-term risks of vaccination are not known.

This brings me to a video I watched of testimony given during a meeting of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services by Dr. Peter McCollough, the most published MD on heart and kidney research in the world. In it, he detailed how his team of doctors have been saving lives of Covid patients with early treatment using a combination of inexpensive off-label drugs (defined as unapproved use of approved drugs). Their results were published in 2020 in *The American Journal of Medicine*. This paper should have been greatly celebrated, but have you heard of it?

Here are some quotes from Dr. McCollough's testimony (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QAHi3IX3oGM>):

—I had patients with heart and lung disease who needed urgent treatment, and I refused to let them languish at home with an illness (Covid) for two weeks without treatment before they got sick enough to be hospitalized when it was too late.

—I made a YouTube video with four slides from our peer-reviewed paper. It went absolutely viral and within a week YouTube took it down.

—You test positive for Covid and they say go home. Any treatment? No. Are there any resources I can call? No. Any research hotline? No. That's the standard of care!

—How many of you have turned on a local news station and ever gotten an update on treatment at home?

Steve Downs

At Home Covid Tests



Ordering Takes
less than 60
seconds!

The Federal Government is providing 4 **free** at-home Covid tests for each US household. You can order yours at the following website:

<https://www.covidtests.gov/>

As cases of Covid remain high throughout the Milwaukee area, you can help keep your friends and family safe with a quick at-home test.

COVID OPEN DISCUSSION

January 30
9:40am



Join Dr. Steve Downs, Dr. Brian Di Giacinto, Dr. Lea Monahan, and fellow members of Mt Zion as we hold a special open discussion about Covid. Our panel will give insights based on years of educational and professional experiences.

If you have questions, concerns, and confusion about masking, vaccines, or back-to-school in-person v. virtual, this would be a forum you'll want to attend!



Volunteer Spotlight



Volunteer

Spotlight

Volunteer Position

Front Desk Reception.

Motiving Factor

I like helping and it gives me a sense of purpose. It makes me feel good. If I sit at home and do nothing I don't feel good.

Favorite Animal

I have a Yorkie dog. She's old so I wonder how long she'll be around.

What Kind of Music do you Like?

My favorite is the Bee-Gees. I like Disco.



Linda Havlicek

Jan. Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Susan Y. 1/3
Cody D. 1/3
Aaron P. 1/4
Joseph K. 1/4
John P. 1/5
Val K. 1/5
Kristin F. 1/7
Mason S. 1/8
Roy D. 1/9
Nancy S. 1/9
Cindy A. 1/11

Bryce R. 1/13
Isaac R. 1/13
Madeline E. 1/14
Angela R. 1/16
Curt P. 1/17
Laura C. 1/17
Jim G. 1/18
Abby S. 1/19
Emma W. 1/21
Ben S. 1/21
James G. 1/22

John M. 1/22
Lauryl P. 1/24
Caleb S. 1/15
Becky H. 1/27
Derrick G. 1/29
Tom M. 1/31

Wedding Anniversaries

Mary and Douglas J. 1/8
Ian and Lynn K. 1/10
James and Aharon G. 1/23

Out and About This Week



Youth gathered over the weekend
for ice skating
at Red Arrow Park!





Volunteer Schedule

	Jan. 16 Sunday 8:30 am	Jan. 16 Sunday 10:45am	Jan. 23 Sunday 8:30 am	Jan. 23 Sunday 10:45am	Jan. 30 Sunday 8:30 am	Jan. 30 Sunday 10:45am	Feb. 6 Sunday 8:30 am	Feb. 6 Sunday 10:45 am
ACOLYTES								
ALTAR CARE	Ellyn Steinke		Wendi Hall		Nancy DiGiacinto		Edie Di Giacinto	
ASSISTING MINISTERS	Lynda Yanny	Janet McCarthy	Rich Robinson	Mavis Roesch	Wendi Hall	Lora Marheine	Lynda Yanny	Janet McCarthy
COMMUNION DEACONS								
GREETERS	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed
LECTORS	Chris Kress	Mavis Roesch	Joe DiGiacinto	Janet McCarthy	Gail Robinson	Jeremy Goss	Nancy DiGiacinto	Mavis Roesch
USHERS	Debbie and Kurt Kleppek	Dave and Vicki Nelson	Joe & Nancy DiGiacinto	Dave Fohr	Jim and Donna Zarek	Dave and Vicki Nelson	Debbie and Kurt Kleppek	Dave Fohr
OFFERING STEWARDS MONDAY	2ND WEEK: Tom & Pat Morgan / Brad & Pam Hext		3rd WEEK: Pete Peterson/John Link/Roy Durrenberg		4TH WEEK: Ellyn Steinke/ Carl & Karen Engelhardt		1st Week Jim Goetzinger Gary Goll	
AUDIO/VISUAL	Dawn and Joe Driscoll	Dawn and Joe Driscoll	Katie & Tony Frederick	Katie and Tony Frederick & Janet McCarthy	Marciniak Family	Marciniak Family	Douglas & Mary Johnson	Douglas & Mary Johnson

Find Full Schedule: <https://www.mtzionlutheran.org/pages/member-resources>



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Hours**

Monday — Friday 10:00am — 3:00pm
 Stop by in-person, call 414-258-0456,
 or email parishadmin@mtzionlutheran.org





At Mt Zion we are
Joyfully growing
disciples in Christ

So that
Everyone we meet comes to
know themselves as a
reflection of God's image,
worthy of life and love



By prioritizing
Faith Community
Hospitality Justice



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