

August 14, 2022



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Survey Results

You have spoken and Grace Notes listened! From the survey results received so far, it is apparent the majority of readers would prefer a weekly newsletter.

So, starting in September, the Grace Notes will be published weekly.

September 4, 2022 through June 4, 2023 the Grace Notes will be published every single week.

Summer 2023 the Grace notes will be published every other week, (June 18 through August 27) and again resuming every week September—June.

More survey results coming soon!



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Hollander & Shebilske Wedding

Congratulations to
Lori Shebilske
and
Mt Zion member Bob Hollander

Who were married

Saturday, August 6

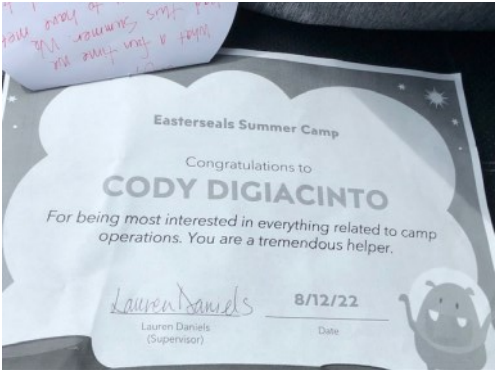
At Mt Olive Lutheran Church
in Appleton.



*Beloved, let us love one another, because
love is from God; everyone who loves is
born of God and knows God.*

1 John 4:7

Summer Camp Award



August 14 to August 21

Sun Aug 14	8:30a Traditional Worship Service 10:15a Contemporary Worship	
Mon Aug 15	Korean Independence Day 6:00pm Leadership Board Meeting 7:00pm NA 12 Step Meeting	
Tues Aug 16	12:00p AA 12 Steps Meeting 3:00p Mt Zion Audit Team Conference Room 6:30p Hands of AA 12-Step Meeting 7:00p Pets Helping People Fellowship Hall	
Wed Aug 17	Fellowship Hall Floor Cleaning and Polishing Ends Friday 8:30a Health Clinic at Courtyard Parking Lot 12:00p Brown Bag Bible Study 1:00p Prayer Warriors 4:30p Staff Meeting 6:30p Tosa Cares Board Meeting Room 100	
Thurs Aug 18	5:00p Pub(lic) Theology Ferch's Crafthouse Grille	
Fri Aug 19	7:00p ACA 12 Step Group Room 101 7:30p Essay 12-step group [meeting virtually]	
Sat Aug 20	8:30a Women of Heart Bible Study	
Sun Aug 21	8:30a Traditional Worship Service 10:15a Contemporary Worship	

Zoom Worship, Brown Bag Meeting ID: 841 6597 2335
Passcode: 12012

For instructions on calling in to worship, turn to page 5.

August 21 to August 28

Sun Aug 21	8:30a 10:15a	Traditional Worship Service Praise and Worship Service
Mon Aug 22	7:00p	NA 12-Steps Group Meeting
Tues Aug 23	12:00p 6:30p 7:00p	AA 12 Steps Meeting Hands of AA 12-Step Meeting Pets Helping People Fellowship Hall
Wed Aug 24	12:00p 1:00p 4:30p	Brown Bag Bible Study Prayer Warriors Staff Meeting
Thurs Aug 25		
Fri Aug 26	7:00p 7:30p	ACA 12 Steps Room 101 Essay 12-step group [meeting virtually]
Sat Aug 27	8:30a 10:00a	Women of Heart Bible Study Tosa Cares Donation Drop Offs
Sun Aug 28	8:30a 10:15a	Traditional Worship Service Praise and Worship Service

Call on your telephone to Worship with Mt Zion

To access Sunday worship, Brown Bag Bible
Study, Meetings and Adult Forum



Dial (312) 626-6799



You will hear an automated greeting,
"Welcome to Mt Zion".
Please enter your Meeting ID number.



**Press: 841-6597-2335
Then press #**



Enter your participant number
or press pound to continue



Press #



Enter the meeting passcode
followed by the pound sign



Press 12012 #



You are in the meeting now. You are muted.

Scripture Readings

For August 14

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56

August 21

Hebrews 12:18-29

Luke 13:10-17

Lifting up our prayers of
thanksgiving and concern.

**ACCESS THIS WEEK'S
PRAYER LIST HERE:**

<https://bit.ly/3pe0411>

Prayer Warriors meet
Wednesdays at 1:00pm.

Thanks for your help!

Thank you Erik, Dawn, Lynda, John, Mavis, and Jerry who set up for the wonderful luncheon on Sunday. From the Korean flags banner and the beautiful table decorations to the scrumptious cake, the effort was much appreciated by New Command Korean Church. The luncheon was a wonderful event supporting our neighbors on their 10th anniversary!



News from Tosa Cares

Backpacks and School Supplies

Thanks for your support, financially and/or with donations of school supplies. We are distributing through August making sure school age children have the backpacks and supplies they need to start the new year. You can still donate throughout August. Thank you!!!!



Paper Bags

We are always in need of paper bags and some plastic bags to pack food and other items. Please save them and bring them to Tosa Cares.

What are Other Needed Items?

Do you have a garden with extra produce? We would love to share them with our families. Also needed, cereal and canned fruit with no added sugar and any nonperishable food items.

How to Drop Off Donations

When you come to church, drop off school supplies in the container by the fireplace. Other donations may go in or beside the Tosa Cares barrel in the hallway as you come in the main entrance. Donations can be dropped off:

Wednesdays from 1-3

Saturdays from 10-noon


THANKS FOR SHARING IN THE MINISTRY OF TOSA CARES – CARING ABOUT AND SHARING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS.

Lutheran World Relief Quilts

Often, when natural disasters strike or war drives families from their homes, our hearts ache with compassion but we don't know how to help. If you've wondered how to volunteer to quilt for charity, look no further. Making Lutheran World Relief Mission Quilts is a tangible way to express love to our neighbors in need. Quilts can be used as warm bedding, simple tents or floor coverings. Each one reflects God's loving presence in a world rife with suffering.

<https://lwr.org/quilts>

A Word Each Week



In a hurry but still seeking knowledge?
For less than 10 minutes each week,
you could learn about a different word
in the Bible and discover what it
means!

[https://www.instagram.com/
biblewordspodcast/](https://www.instagram.com/biblewordspodcast/)



Felmers Cheney Correctional

WISDOM (Parent of MICAH) recently heard from Governor Evers that if the Milwaukee Common Council agrees on Friday, August 11, the Felmers Cheney Center will continue its program at its current location. A place for youth has been selected.

The Milwaukee Synod's Breaking the Chains ministry is a congregation that worships inside the Felmers Cheney Center and serves the residents of that prison.

Community Cookout

Just a reminder, Outreach Committee is super excited to be hosting this event after a long hiatus. On Monday, August 29, at 6:00 p.m., we will gather with members from our sister congregations, Reformation and Mt. Carmel, for food and fellowship. Outreach Committee will be the grill masters and supply the burgers, hot dogs, buns, beverages and paper products. Members of Mt. Carmel will bring side dishes and members of Reformation will bring desserts.

All we are asking of members of Mt. Zion is to attend, commune with our siblings in Christ and, if able, help with set-up and clean-up. As promised in the previous Grace Notes, a link to RSVP to the Cookout is below. Please respond by Thursday, August 25 and include the number of people in your party and if you will be able to assist with set-up or clean-up. We are so excited to be hosting this event and look forward to seeing you all there and spending time with friends. Please mark your calendar for Monday, August 29, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Zion.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=s.ProcessSignup&urlid=904054EA8A629A46-community>



Reformation



See you all soon.
Andrea Cockerham
Outreach Committee



PET BLESSING





Sunday, September 4
9:30a
West lawn

Followed by a potluck meal
We'll supply burgers and hotdogs



You bring the paws
we'll bring the prayers



Can't bring
your pet?
Bring a photo
to bless!

Get to Know Antwan—Part II

We met Antwan in the last edition of the Grace Notes, and this week we celebrate many of the accomplishments he has achieved while incarcerated.

Excerpts from Antwan's Request for Sentence Modification or Clemency —July 2022

- ◆ I have completed over 1000 hours of community service working with various organizations: for example, the Freedom House in Green Bay that works with women and children escaping abusive households.
- ◆ I have worked with at risk youth at Green Bay correctional institution with the Brick program, and at Redgranite correctional institution with the R.Y.T.E. program. The Brick program is similar to “scared straight” program while the R.Y.T.E. (Reaching Youth Through Education) has a much softer approach to reaching youth with cautionary tales.
- ◆ I am a certified tutor through Pro Literacy America and helped over 100 incarcerated men earn their HSED, GED, or Associates Degrees.
- ◆ I have an excellent institution conduct record. No infractions since 2012.
- ◆ Upon my release I plan to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from UWM's Bader School of Social Welfare and counsel youth who are subjected to the same negative elements in which I grew up.

What does Antwan have to say about the prison system?

- ◆ In recent years I have observed a shift in sentences of incarceration for similar offenses to mine. The average sentence for an armed robbery seems to have fallen to around 4 years. I have witnessed men enter prison with 10 year sentences for 5 to 6 armed robberies. It's very disheartening.
- ◆ According to DOC data, 40% of Wisconsin inmates released in 2016 were reincarcerated within three years, however, research also shows that incarcerated students who enroll in postsecondary education programs are 48% less likely to return to prison than those who don't participate.
- ◆ Other studies have shown that individuals are likely to simply “age out” of crim. Ex-offenders who've served a considerable amount of time behind bars are less likely to reoffend, according to experts.

Join us in the next edition as we hear how the Prison Ministry has impacted his life!

Please continue to pray for Antwan and all those in our prison system.

²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:24-25

What is ERAS?

Our August Mission of the Month is Eras Senior Network, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to engage and support seniors, adults with disabilities, and family caregivers in leading meaningful lives. Seniors and adults with disabilities in both Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties are supported by volunteers of all ages to help them maintain their independence. They provide services free of charge. More than 2,000 caring volunteers make these services possible! They provide services such as weekly friendly phone calls, transportation to medical appointments or grocery shopping, and seasonal yard clean-ups!

If you're looking to make an impact by volunteering, they have opportunities for you at this link to their web page: <https://eras.org/volunteer/> If you would like to receive assistance from them, here is a link for more information: <https://eras.org/our-services/>

We are hoping to have an activity with ERAS as part of Mt. Zion's God's Work Our Hands day in September. Stay tuned to see how you can get involved.



Hungry for Hot Dogs?

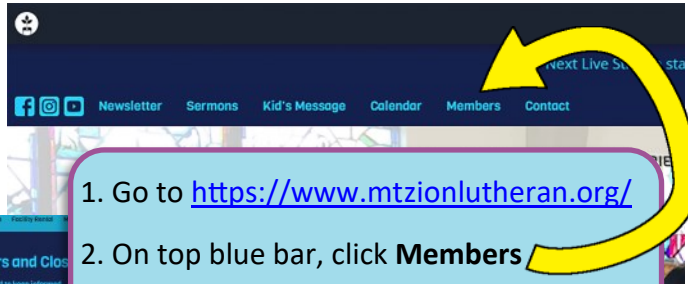
On August 28, Incarnation's team will be selling brats and hot dogs at Sendigs on North Avenue. Please make mention of that in the Grace Notes. Mt. Zion members will be able to have a good lunch without heating up their kitchens on that day. Last year's profits went toward having a Jazz on the Lawn concert on their lawn this year as an outreach for the community on 15th and Keefe. The community always looks forward to it. It was also good to have an informal get together of members, especially the new ones.



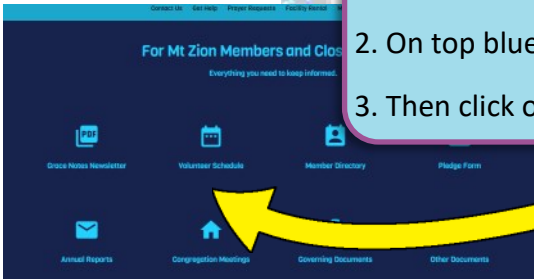
Website



...you can get info about
MZ Ministries on our website?



1. Go to <https://www.mtzionlutheran.org/>
2. On top blue bar, click **Members**
3. Then click on **Volunteer Schedule**



Reformation's Summer/Fall Needs

Reformation is in need of the following items for the Baby Pantry (items are free to parents), the SONshine Household Pantry (also given away) and for hospitality to the neighborhood:

- Baby/toddler/children's cloths to size 8; baby accessories
- Single serve coffee pods for hospitality area
- Pine-Sol, laundry detergent, toilet paper, bleach, dish detergent
- Diapers and ointment, newborn to size 6
- Bath and hand towels, washcloths
- Deodorant, body wash, feminine products, toothpaste, shampoo
- Pots and pans
- Queen/king sheet sets, bed pillows, comforters
- Small appliances, i.e., fans, flat screen TVs, microwaves, blenders, air/deep fryers, electric skillets, irons, vacuums, single serve coffee makers, toasters

Flooring Update

Flooring Campaign Results as of 8/4/2022
\$20,018.69 raised so far; goal is \$25,000



If you haven't already, please consider pledging or donating by August 15. So far, we have raised enough to re-floor the Gatherings Space **and** Hearth Room!

If we reach our goal before August 15, we can also re-floor the hallways adjacent to the Gathering Space. Re-flooring all of these areas at the same time will result in less disruption of those areas, compared to getting the hallways done at a later date.

P.S. If we surpass our \$25,000 goal and reach a "stretch" goal of \$30,000, we can also replace the carpet in the North Narthex (outside the Sanctuary).

We are grateful for whatever amount you can contribute!

Power for (Back to) School

When you order coffee through Mt Meru you will receive a delicious cup of joe and you will be supporting education. As Americans head back to school in droves, children in Tanzania are lucky to have a primary education, let alone secondary or higher levels. When you buy Mt Meru coffee, you support quality education for children in Tanzania.

<https://www.mtmerucoffee.org/>



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Douglas J. 7/31	Barb V. 8/9	Megan B. 8/22
Carol C. 8/1	Refilwe G. 8/10	Mickey F. 8/22
Adam C. 8/1	Mia B. 8/13	Jennifer P. 8/24
Brad H. 8/1	Kiera K. 8/16	Spencer J. 8/26
Jacob K. 8/2	Jennifer D. 8/17	David J. 8/26
Jada G. 8/4	McKenzie T. 8/19	Lauren C. 8/26
Edie D. 8/5	Chris K. 8/19	Ruth H. 8/28
Kay H. 8/6	Tammy C. 8/20	Liz A. 8/28
Doris J. 8/6	Brad F. 8/20	Amanda W. 8/28
Jesse M. 8/6	Bob H. 8/20	Kurt K. 8/29
Tom W. 8/7	Vicki C. 8/21	Julie B. 8/31
Quintin P. 8/8	Karen C. 8/21	Drae S. 8/31
	Carter C. 8/21	
	Katie F. 8/21	
	Taylor U. 8/21	

Wedding Anniversaries

Diane and Shelly R. 7/31	Keith and Liz A. 8/15
Jim and Melissa S. 7/31	Tom and Linda E. 8/16
Sara B. and Brad F. 8/1	Pat and Tom M. 8/20
Dave and Sara B. 8/2	Jerry and Mavis R. 8/21
Greg and Robyn Z. 8/7	Rich and Gail R. 8/22
Adam and Elizabeth F. 8/8	Loretta and Elmer B. 8/25
Meghann and Brad S. 8/11	Jim and Donna Z. 8/25
Erin M. and Drae S. 8/11	Dave and Debbie F. 8/27
Roger and Nancy S. 8/14	Trentin and Elena E. 8/30

Picture of the Month



This photo celebrates the generous \$100 donation that was given to a member in gratitude for returning a lost dog to its loving family. 8 to 10 prayer shawls will be created with the 16 skeins of Homespun yarn.

Photo shows the Knit One, Pray Too group holding skeins of yarn.



Volunteer Schedule

	August 14 Sunday 8:30a	August 14 Sunday 10:15a	August 21 Sunday 8:30a	August 21 Sunday 10:15a	August 28 Sunday 8:30a	August 28 Sunday 10:15a
ALTAR CARE	Ellyn Steinke		Edie Di Giacinto		Nancy Di Giacinto	
ASSISTING MINISTERS	Tom Ertel	Lora Marheine	Joe Di Giacinto	Janet McCarthy	Lynda Yanny	Mavis Roesch
COMMUNION DEACONS	Sherry Downs Tom Ertel	Lora Marheine	Shery Downs Joe Di Giacinto	Janet McCarthy	Lynda Yanny	Mavis Roesch
LECTORS	Irene McCarthy	Janet McCarthy	Sherry Downs	Mavis Roesch	Karen Engelhardt	Erik Peterson
USHERS	Joe and Nancy Di Giacinto	Dave Marheine	Cody Di Giacinto Rick Pearson	Dave Nelson	Jim and Donna Zarek	Dave Fohr
OFFERING STEWARDS <u>MONDAY</u>	Tom Morgan Brad Hext		John Link Roy Durrenburg		Carl and Karen Engelhardt Ellyn Steinke	
AUDIO/VISUAL	Mary and Douglas Johnson	Tony and Katie Frederick	Abby Sumiec Erik Peterson	Ryan and Breda Marciniak	Tory and Mike Marciniak	Dawn and Joe Driscoll

Find The Full Schedule:



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


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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
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