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Grace Notes

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Holy Land Trip

Pr. Jon Jacobs and 13 other folks from Southeast Wisconsin traveled to the West Bank in late June. This Solidarity and Accompaniment trip provided opportunities to continue our relationship, partnership, and shared missions with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jordan and the Holy Land.

Pr. Jacobs will weave a bit of his experience into his sermon, following the lessons and Gospel for this 24th Sunday after Pentecost.

After worship there will also be an opportunity to purchase handmade olive wood carvings and soft goods from West Bank artisans and entrepreneurs.



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Congratulations!

Congrats to Jacob F. and the “Cavaliers” soccer team who are not only regional champions, but district champions as well.

State semi-finals and finals were held this weekend.



Apologies

Grace Notes would like to apologize for failing to include Elmer Ball in last week’s All Saints tribute. While the final draft of the tribute was printed and included in the Sunday bulletins, a previous draft accidentally ended up in the Grace Notes. We apologize for any hurt or confusion this may have caused. That was not the intention, and we continue to strive for excellence in our weekly newsletter.



Elmer Ball

11/10/1934 - 9/28/2026

Husband of Loretta Ball and
long-time member of Mt Zion

November 8 to November 15

Sun Nov 8	9:30am **Worship Service** Zoom ID: 841 6597 2335 Passcode: Name tag Sunday
Mon Nov 9	6:00pm **Property Committee Meeting** 7:00pm **Knit One, Pray Too** 7:00pm **NA 12 Step Group** Fellowship Hall
Tues Nov 10	Noon **AA 12 Steps Meeting** Upper Room 6:30pm **Hands of AA 12-Step** Upper Room 6:30pm **Outreach Meeting**
Wed Nov 11	12:00pm **Brown Bag Bible Study** 1:00pm **Prayer Group** 1:00pm **Tosa Cares Donation Drop-Off** 6:30pm **Voices of Zion Choir Rehearsal** 7:30pm **Festival Bells Handbell Rehearsal**
Thurs Nov 12	6:30pm **Troop 27 Meeting**
Friday Nov 13	12:00pm **Mayfair AA Group** 6:00pm **ACA 12 Step Group** Room 100
Sat Nov 14	8:00am Fall Clean-Up 8:30am **Washington HS Alumni Group** Hearth 9:00am **Women of Heart Bible Study** 9:00am **Tosa Cares Donation Drop Offs** 10:00am **Funeral for Neil Koenig** Sanctuary
Sun Nov 15	9:30am **Worship Service** 10:45am **Confirmation** 5:00pm **MZYouth Night**

Commemorations

Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855
Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Kierkegaard was a Danish theologian whose writings also gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block**.**

Volunteers for November 8

A/V: Brenda and Mike Marciniak
Acolyte: Shae Urbanek
Altar Care: Edie and Nancy Di Giacinto
Assisting Minister: Jenny Hawes
Communion Bread: Refilwe Magasa-Bockhorst
Communion Wine: Luke Johnson, Bob Young, Jenny H.
Greeter: Kent and Margie Spicer
Lector: Refilwe M.
Teller: Tom Morgan and Brad Hext
Usher: Kurt Kleppek and Debbie Rack-Kleppek



Candy for Breaking the Chains



If you have unwanted or extra Halloween candy, donate it to Breaking the Chains for Christmas treat bags!

BtCC 

Drive

Candy must be firmly sealed by the manufacturer.
Place donations in the Halloween bowl in the Gathering Space.



Celebrating our Veterans

A SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS

Drae Setner



Served three years in the Army as a Specialist 4 (E4). He spent 18 months in Korea.

Dom Gordon



I graduated from the Air Force academy in 2019 . I was stationed in Wisconsin with the 347th RCS and I was stationed at Hanscom Air Force base in MA outside of Boston.I was an acquisition officer for the Air Force

Carl Engelhardt



Carl was a computer programmer from 1967 - 1971 at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia.

Tom Morgan



Served in the US Army from 4/16/57 to 3/20/59. When I was released from active duty my MOS was Personnel Management Specialist. I was at Ft Carson, CO for basic and Ft Leonard Wood, MO for my 2nd eight weeks.

Celebrating our Veterans

Michael Boylan



Served in the USAF, MOS-605/2T2 Air Transportation, 1989-2012, retiring as a Master Sergeant.

Eunice J. Boerger





Mother of Linda Havlicek
1st Lt US Army Nurse Corp
She was stationed in Okinawa, Japan
1944-1946

Lea Monahan

Mother of Brendan Monahan
Major
US Army
Pediatrics Nurse
Stationed in Germany 1987-1989

John Dawson

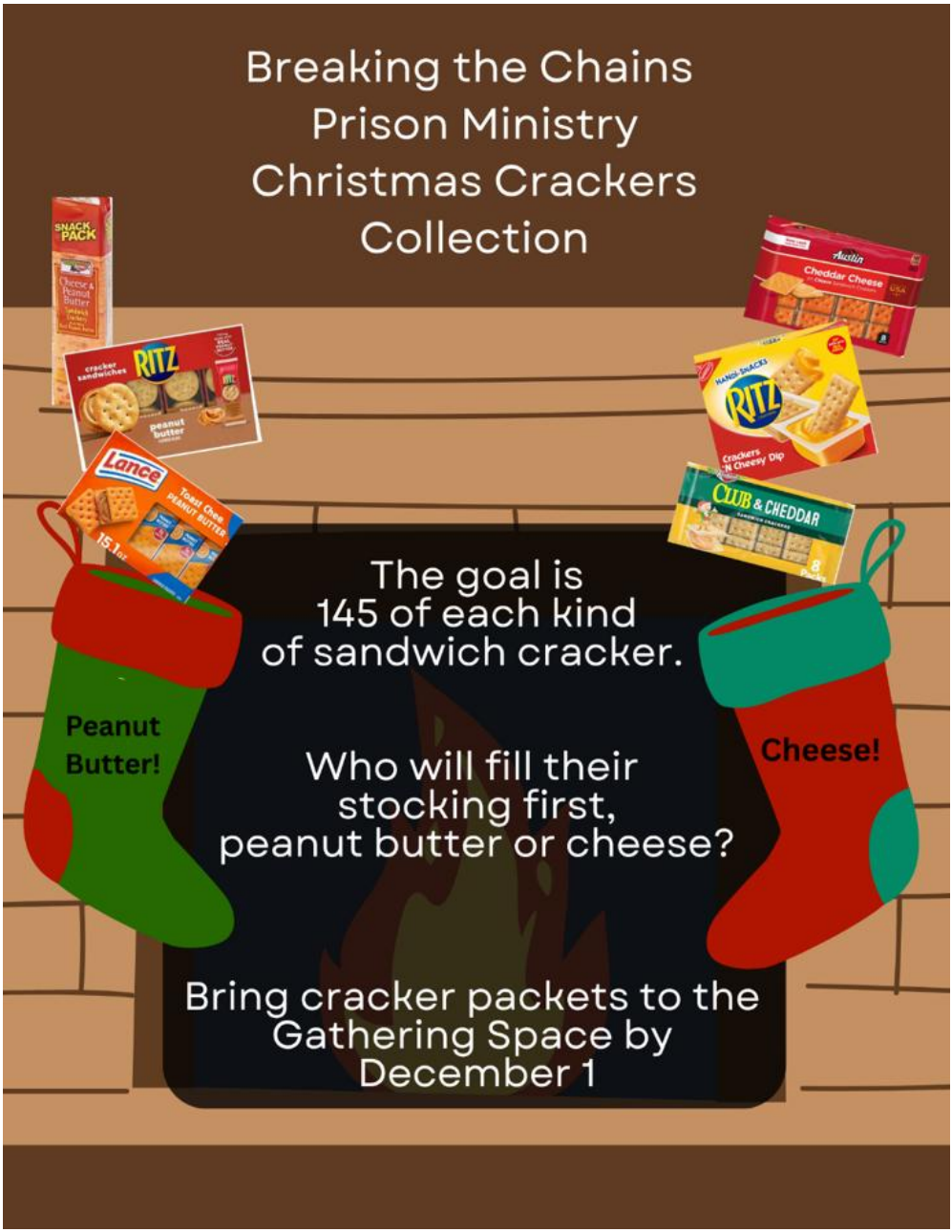


Father of Jess Monahan
Served as an Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier from 1967 to 1968. He patrolled the streets of D.C. following the assassination of Martin Luther King, ensuring neighborhoods stayed safe while buildings burned across the city. In the morning, old ladies brought out cookies and coffee to say thank you.

Thank You

God, we give you thanks for those ordinary people you bestowed with the heart and courage to achieve extraordinary acts of selfless love and service. May we honor their legacy by listening to their stories. Strengthen us to care for for all physical wounds as well as mental and emotional scars. May we continue to pray for peace around the world.

Crackers Collection



Spooky Sightings



Several Mt Zion members donned their Halloween duds and headed to the Ghastly Gymnasium Halloween concert for kids.





Nadia Bolz-Weber

Pastor Tyler and Jess Monahan packed into Ascension Lutheran on Friday, October 30 to hear Nadi-Bolz Weber, Lutheran Pastor and best-selling author. There was singing, laughing, crying, and personal reflections on who Jesus is to each of us. We reflected on how the nation feels rights now as a whole and where we could end up if we can move forward with mercy, love, and hope for one another.





The Value of Repurposed Drugs

The year was 2020 and Covid was ramping up. The race was on to create a vaccine. Pharmaceuticals were not yet available. Alternative approaches to battle the virus entered the discussion, but despite studies showing impressive virus-fighting results, there was an active campaign to discredit them.

For instance, remember ivermectin? Its use against Covid was stymied by a disingenuous ad blitz labeling it a "horse de-wormer." Never mind that in 2015, William C. Campbell and Satoshi Ōmura had won the 2015 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for discovering a novel therapy using ivermectin against devastating roundworm parasitic infections in humans. Obviously safe for human consumption, some claim discouraging the use of ivermectin against the virus in those early Covid years may have cost human lives.

If you ask AI if ivermectin is an effective treatment for Covid, it says: "Major global and national health organizations—including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Mayo Clinic, and the World Health Organization (WHO)—strongly recommend against its use outside of clinical trials." Many studies showing positive results have been dismissed because of small sample size or the need for better controlled protocols. But here's the kicker: A 2022 editorial in New Microbes and New Infections documents ivermectin efficacy against early Covid but adds "One must consider that since the drug no longer has rights for patent, pharmaceutical companies have no monetary incentive to conduct clinical trials using this medication, and governmental agencies are reluctant to sponsor trials for drug repurposing." Note that pharmaceuticals like paxlovir and molnupiravir are very profitable, but ivermectin is an inexpensive generic.

This leads me to an interesting story about antiparasitic drugs and cancer. In August of 1916, Joe Tippins was diagnosed with small cell (very aggressive) lung cancer with a fist-sized tumor. After undergoing radiation and chemotherapy five times each week, the large tumor was eliminated, but the treatments nearly killed him. After New Year's, his oncologist told him the cancer had metastasized extensively and he had zero chance of surviving more than a few months.

Then Joe heard an amazing story about a scientist who had cured her lab mice and then herself of cancer, with fenbendazole, an antiparasitic drug. Fenbendazole, used for 30 years to treat intestinal parasites in animals, had not received FDA approval for human use, so doctors could not prescribe it.

Joe found that Panacur, a trade name for fenbendazole, was sold over the counter at outlets that carry veterinary medications. Joe began taking canine Panacur (1 gram/day) three days each week in early January, 2017. Three months later Joe was cancer-free.

Dr. William Makis, an oncologist in Edmonton, Canada, uses the "Joe Tippins Protocol" to treat cancer patients worldwide and several have become cancer-free. Documented case reports have appeared in peer-reviewed science journals. He has found a whole family of anti-parasitic drugs to be effective cancer fighters.

Steve Downs

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

David W. 11/1
Sharon R. 11/1
Niko A. 11/2
Beth F. 11/2
Janice G. 11/2
Judy H. 11/3
Mary J. 11/3
Brian C. 11/4
Jason F. 11/5

Emmett J. 11/8
Katy M. 11/8
Kyle F. 11/8
Erin M. 11/9
Andrew F. 11/10
Bob C. 11/12
Linda H. 11/13
Mike K. 11/15
Jean W. 11/15
Gabby G. 11/16

Jacob B. 11/17
Elena B. 11/17
Amy K. 11/17
Jelani S. 11/23
Krista H. 11/26
Scott B. 11/30
Brenda F. 11/30
Debbie R. 11/30
David K. 11/30

Anniversaries

Brenda and Mike M. 11/2
John and Anna K. 11/14
Jill and Tom A. 11/16
Tom and Mary C. 11/21
Ellyn and Wayne S. 11/26
Kent and Marge S. 11/28

Yard Clean Up



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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