

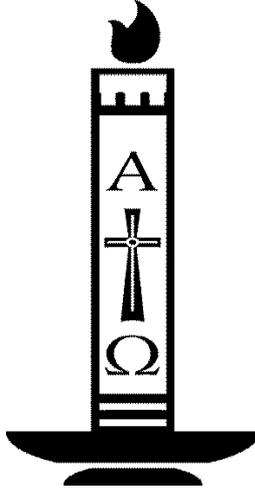
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Candle



April 2019

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Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays - 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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“From the Pastor”

As was the custom on Easter morning, the children awoke and dressed quickly. After gathering at the door to the backyard they were given the “go” to search for Easter eggs where Dad and Mom had hidden them. The children ran back and forth and soon squeals of joy were heard by the parents.

As the children ran back with their baskets the parents looked to see not the hidden Easter eggs in the baskets, but living baby chicks! Where did you find these? The parents ran into the yard to where they had placed the hard-boiled eggs. All they found were eggs shells. How could living chicks come from a boiled egg? How could they explain this? What would they tell others that had happened?

The women who were so faithful to Jesus were on their way to the tomb where on Friday they had witnessed Jesus’ burial, because he was dead. They saw him die on the cross. They heard him cry, “It is finished” and then saw him collapse in death.

Coming to the tomb that Sunday morning after, expecting to find the body of Jesus where he had been laid, they were met with a shocking scene. The stone over the entrance to the tomb was rolled away, the guards were gone, and Jesus’ body was not there. Just the wrappings that were hastily put on him for burial. All that they did encounter was an angel who asked them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead. Jesus is not here. He is risen!” How could Jesus be living who was dead? How could they explain this? What would they tell others that had happened?

We tell others that this is exactly what God promised would happen. Not that chicks would come from a hard-boiled egg, but that Jesus would rise from death. Jesus would rise three days after he would be crucified, just as he had foretold. But more importantly do we tell others that this is what God can do for you! Because Jesus lives, you too will live, even though you die!

That's our risen Savior Jesus who died so we could be forgiven of our sins that would destroy us. That's our risen Savior Jesus who rose from the dead to assure us that whoever believes in Him shall also rise to life eternal. Because that is what Jesus promised. And that is what Jesus did for you. More amazing than chicks hatching from hard-boiled eggs.

Pastor Queck



Annandale Expo – Saturday, April 13

Each year Zion has participated in the Annandale Expo with a booth.

We display materials from our church and hand out small gifts for children. We need volunteers to supervise the booth for an hour at a time between 9:00am and 1:00pm. A signup sheet is in the Narthex.

March 11, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

I. Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Peter Minear, at 7:05pm with 8 members present. Pastor opened with devotion.

II. Reports:

A. Secretary, Gail Schwartz, read the minutes to the February 2019 council meeting held on February 11, 2019.

M/S Merle Marohn/Dennis Jopp. Motion carried.

B. Treasurer's Report: Gail Schwartz read the Treasurer's Report. Attendance/contributions are down due to several weekend snow storms and snowbirds not yet returning.

M/S Myra Steere/Dan Fischer. Motion carried.

C. Pastor's Report:

A. Attendance for February 2019

Date	Attendance	Communions
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2/3	136	110
2/10	123	
2/17	114	104
2/24	96	
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Total	469	
Average	117.25	

B. The Word

a. Sunday Worship Services: 4

b. Care Center Services: 3

c. Weddings: 0

d. Funerals: 1 (Larry J. Wadman, 2/1)

e. Bible Classes: 6

f. Confirmation Classes: 3

g. Instruction Classes: 5

C. The Sacraments

a. Baptisms: 0

- b. Communion
 - i. Sunday Worship: 214
 - ii. Care Center: 19
 - iii. Private: 9
 - D. Administrative
 - a. Zion Meetings: 3
 - b. Circuit/District: 2
 - c. Vacation days used: 6
- III. Board Reports:
 - A. Elders: No Report.
 - B. Trustees: Bathroom fans are still not working. Motor needs to be replaced. The Church Bell is still not ringing as it should or not at all. Will need to investigate further. Both the parsonage and the Sanctuary have water leaking in from the melting snow. Dan checked on the parsonage, removed some siding but not leaking over the window. Renter noticed water leaking into the ceiling. Dan will check into leak again. Water leaking into Sanctuary on the floor. Will need to determine where the water is coming from.
 - C. Education: Teachers will be picking a new song for Sunday School children to sing on Easter.
 - D. Evangelism: No report
 - E. Stewardship: No Report
- IV. Old Business:

Krista had a meeting with Life Touch about the 2019 Church directory. Kickoff for the directory is April 7th. Pastor will leave voice msg on members phones with details about picture signup. Dennis Jopp in composing a list of people/phone numbers to call for repairs concerning Church utilities...i.e. (plumbing, electrical, furnace, bell, sound system, etc.) Received a letter from Wright Hennepin about no one answering the phone number W/H has on file for the Security System. Need to check with John Truenow about contact number.
- V. New Business: Merle Marohn has built 2 new hymn boards for the Sanctuary. Will determine when to hang them.

(Unanimous decision to not let Pastor hang the hymn boards!)

- VI. Adjournment at 7:35 pm. M/S Dan Fischer/Dennis Jopp.
Motion carried.

Pastor closed with Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Schwartz, Secretary



Maundy Thursday – April 18

“Father, Forgive Us Through This Holy Supper!”
Worship/Communion 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday – April 19

“Father, Forgive Us For the Sake of Your Son!”
Worship 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday – April 21

“The Father Has Forgiven Us!”
Worship/Communion 8:00 a.m.
Worship/Communion 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast will be served between services



Notes of Thanks:

- Many thanks to all for your prayers, well wishes, and cards. My surgery went well. – Linda Truenow
- I would like to thank Pastor Queck for the hospital visits and everyone for the cards and thoughts and prayers. It all helped for my recovery. God's blessing to all of you. – Ralph Uecker
- I would like to thank Pastor Queck for the hospital visit and everyone for the cards and prayers. Our church family is very important in our lives. God bless, Shirley Fischer
- Thank you to everyone who helped out at our Ash Wednesday Service on March 6. Thank you for your help in the kitchen and donation of soups, bars, and cookies. – Myra Steere
- Thank you to everyone who volunteered to assist at the Red Cross Bloodmobile on February 28th. Your willingness to contribute your time was much appreciated. Also, thank you to those of you who made cookies for this event as well.
– Shelley Josephson
- We are so grateful for all the prayers for my brother, Dave Carlson during the last days of his earthly life. The caring and sympathy shown to us by all of our church family here at Zion is truly comforting. – Dean & Glenda Thurk
- Thank you for your cards and thoughts and prayers during my surgery and health issues and thank you to Pastor Queck for his visits.
– Ellsworth Neumann

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