

## This Week at Zion...

### Sunday, February 11

Traditional Worship †	8:00 a.m.
Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Worship	10:30 a.m.

### Monday, February 12

Monday Sewing	1:30 p.m.
Student-Led Conferences	
Parish Planning	6:00 p.m.
Board of Trustees	7:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, February 13

LWML Hour of Prayer at Zion	9:00 a.m.
Tuesdays at Two Bible Study	2:00 p.m.
Student-Led Conferences	

### Wednesday, February 14

Women's Bible Class @ Cronks	6:30 a.m.
No Preschool	
Chapel/Ash Wednesday Service †	8:30 a.m.
Early School Dismissal	1:20 p.m.
Ash Wednesday Service †	5:30 p.m.
Lenten Meal (8th grade serving)	6:15 p.m.
Youth Confirmation	6:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, February 15

Bible Class	10:00 a.m.
Nifty Needles	1:00 p.m.

### Friday, February 16

Men's Bible Class @ Cronks	6:30 a.m.
Prayer Party	7:30 a.m.
Newsletter Article Deadline	4:00 p.m.

### Saturday, February 17

Traditional Worship	6:30 p.m.
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### Sunday, February 18

Traditional Worship †	8:00 a.m.
Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Worship †	10:30 a.m.

### Serving Ash Wednesday:

Elders: 8:30– Marc Gosch, Dick Erickson  
 5:30– Butch Miller, Mark Feller  
 Acolyte: 5:30– Gavin Miller  
 Projector: 5:30– Emma & Gracie Schurke  
 Greeters: 5:30– Leigha Brungardt  
 Ushers: 5:30– Lauren Bowker, Dave Bockelmann, Butch Munson

## Serving at Zion This Week...

<b>Elders</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Butch Miller, Dick Erickson
	<b>8:00</b>	Bob Matthiesen
	<b>10:30</b>	Mark Feller
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Colton Neumann
	<b>8:00</b>	Elizabeth Christensen
	<b>10:30</b>	Leigha Brungardt
<b>Projector</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Lexi Neumann
	<b>8:00</b>	Delaney Lutz
	<b>10:30</b>	Morgan Winey
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Jill, Gage & Gavin Miller
	<b>8:00</b>	Phyllis Bockelmann, Lauren Bowker
	<b>10:30</b>	Marlyn Wiedmann, Quincy Mahrt, Cole Carlson
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Hunter & Easton Emery, Butch Munson, Dave Bockelmann, Dave Johnson, Dan Martin, David Miller
	<b>8:00</b>	Chloe Koch, George & Susan Salmon, Pam Soseman, Dylan Friedrichsen
	<b>10:30</b>	Leigha Brungardt, George & Susan Salmon, Pam Soseman, Dylan Friedrichsen

## Serving at Zion Next Week...

<b>Elders</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Jim Asmus
	<b>8:00</b>	Brian Christensen, Larry Berner
	<b>10:30</b>	Mark Feller, Trevor Gress
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Chloe Koch
	<b>8:00</b>	Devin & Jake Fink
	<b>10:30</b>	Quincy Mahrt
<b>Projector</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Karly Brodersen
	<b>8:00</b>	Hunter & Easton Emery
	<b>10:30</b>	Leigha Brungardt
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Jim, Staci & Lexi Neumann
	<b>8:00</b>	Connie Crawford, Liz Christensen
	<b>10:30</b>	Jalene Knudsen, Emma & Gracie Schurke
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Colton Neumann, Dave Haase
	<b>8:00</b>	Matthew Wertz, Butch Munson, Dave Bockelmann, Dave Johnson, Dan Martin, David Miller
	<b>10:30</b>	Summer Lamaak, George & Susan Salmon, Pam Soseman, Dylan Friedrichsen

# Elijah taken up to heaven



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**Transfiguration  
 of Our Lord**

**Feb. 10 & 11, 2018**

## Announcements...

**As We Gather...** The season of Epiphany ends with the moment of glory on the Mount of Transfiguration. Peter, James, and John see Jesus in shining splendor alongside Moses and Elijah. The disciples will descend the mountain and make their journey to Jerusalem and the cross of Christ. God gives us a glimpse of heavenly glory as we continue our journey of faith here on earth.

**Thank You** for all of your pill bottle donations to the LWML. We are done collecting them. We appreciate the wonderful response we had!

**Special Voters' Meeting** on Sunday, February 18 at 9:15 a.m. in the church proper. Purpose is to extend a Call for a Kindergarten teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. All voters are encouraged to attend.

**Ash Wednesday Services** Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., both with communion. Meal will be served after the 5:30 service by Zion 8th graders. They will serve spaghetti, chicken alfredo, garlic bread and dessert. Free will offering. Proceeds go towards the 8th grade class trip to Chicago in May.

**Lutheran Witness Renewals** are due. If you are a subscriber, or would like to subscribe, please pay \$22.67 in the office for the year, or put envelope in offering marked "Lutheran Witness."

**Baptism Blessing** to Adah Sue, daughter of Matt and Gretchen (Maurer) Gosch. Welcome to Jesus' family, Adah!

**Thrivent Financial** Eligible members have designated Choice Dollars that they can direct to a non-profit organization, such as Zion Church. As of December 31, 2017, \$8,943.00 was distributed to Zion Church and School, and totaling \$107,102.00 since 2010. Choice Dollars designated to eligible benefit members in 2017 must be directed by March 31, 2018. Contact your local Thrivent representatives with any questions at 263-6785.

**Thy Strong Word** Listen to KDSN (107.1 FM) for these 3-4 minute devotions (Monday-Saturday) at 6:25 a.m. This week's speaker is Rev. David Loeschen of Our Savior, Denison and Bethlehem, Dow City.

**Building Healthy Families:** Did you know the world has declared a special week to celebrate one of the fruits of the Spirit? The founders of *National Random Acts of Kindness Week* might not know it, but they have: kindness is on the list in Galatians 5! How might you give witness to the faith that is in you by doing something "unusually kind", in Jesus name, for someone this week? Shovel your neighbor's snow, pay for the order of the car behind you in the drive through, send flowers to someone who lives alone, stop to visit someone living in a care center...be creative and have fun! Lutheran Family Service of Iowa - Lynnette Aschinger

## Please pray for..

**For Healing...** Linda Petersen, Walt Listamann, Helen Haase, Hilda Frank, Ron Oden and Carla Long  
(Names will be carried on the list for 3 weeks. Please call the office if you would like a name on for an additional 3 weeks.)

**Happy Birthday to...** Scott Claussen, Bruce Dahleen, Kelby Brungardt, Janice DeMey, John H. Hansen, Raelyn Johnston, Jenna Reetz, Jeanette Venzke, Brittany Webb, Carol Boeck, Stan Kracht, Brent Krajicek, Vicki Schraeder, Kayla Stevens, Wayne Brensel, Tim Deiber, Leona Thompson, Adam Hansen, Robert Janett, Addison Kluver, Pam Lackman, William Lueck, Lexi Neumann, Shirley Arn, Susan Boettger, Jason Flynn, Derrick Franck, Karen Kahl, Janie Miller, Sylvia Rank, Kelsey Younggren, Jennifer Hansen, Makena Yilek

**Happy Anniversary to...** Craig and Tami Frehse, William and Cathy Whitenack, Dick and Hilda Frank, Nathan and Amber Mahrt, Chad and Traci Preul, Joe and Karen Steinkuehler

**Families and Zion Staff including...** Donna DeVold, Arlene Hast, Darren Slechta, Krystin Adams, Jayden and Braxten Ghislandi, Marna Wiebers and Ed and Carol Fink

## Today's Bible Read-

### Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet." Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me." And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

### Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

### Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-9

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Join a Bible study!** Bible studies at Zion include: Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the church dining hall; Mothers of Toddlers Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the parenting room by the narthex; Tuesdays @ Two in the parish hall basement; Womens' study at 6:30 a.m. on Wednesdays at Cronks; Thursday mornings at 10:00 in the church dining hall; Mens' study at 6:30 a.m. on Fridays at Cronks; and Prayer Party at 7:30 a.m. on Fridays during school. Join us for one or all!

### Church Statistics February 3 & 4:

Attendance: 350  
Communion: 163  
Offering: \$9,272.31  
Sunday School Attendance: 70  
Sunday School Offering: \$33.58

### Hymns:

6:30 - 821, 417, 537, 680, 637, 814  
8:00 - 821, 417, 537, 814

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