**This Week at Zion:**

**Sunday - September 27**
- 9:15 am Adult Confirmation Instruction
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 5:00 pm Youth Hayride @ Yellow Smoke (8th-12th grades)

**Monday - September 28**
- 1:30 pm Sewing Group

**Tuesday - September 29**
- 1:00 pm Newsletter Assembly
- 2:00 pm Tuesdays at Two Bible Study

**Wednesday - September 30**
- 6:30 am Women’s Bible Class @ Cronks
- 8:30 am Chapel
- 6:30 pm Confirmation Classes (Youth)
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday - October 1**
- 10:00 am Bible Class
- 1:00 pm Nifty Needles
- 7:00 pm Evening Guild

**Friday - October 2**
- 6:30 am Men’s Bible Class @ Cronks
- 7:30 am Prayer Party
- 1:30 pm Ladies’ Aid

**Saturday - October 3**
- 10am-2pm Zion Girls’ Basketball Camp

**Sunday - October 4 - LWML Weekend**
- 9:15 am Adult Confirmation Instruction
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 6:30 pm Youth Group (6th-12th grades)
- 7:00 pm Fellowship Club

**Worship Schedule:**

**Saturday**
- 6:30 p.m. Traditional Worship

**Sunday**
- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Class
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 12:45 p.m. Hispanic Worship

**Communion on September 26**
- October 4, 10, 18, 24, 25

**Hymns:**
- 6:30 - 804, 839, 730, 627, 632, 923
- 8:00 - 804, 839, 730, 923

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**Serving at Zion:**

**Organist**
- Karen Kahl

**Elders**
- Butch Miller, Dick Erickson
- Butch Miller
- Jim Asmus, Larry Berner
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**Acolytes**
- Raelyn Johnston
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- Emma & Gracie Schurke
- Morgan Kahl
- Gus & Anna Boettger
- Jersey Bexten, Aaron Hansen
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**Projector**
- Sophia Mujica
- Devin & Bryce Fink
- Cole Carlson
- Sophie Sonnichsen
- Jack Vazquez
- Avery Zenk

**Greeters**
- Glen & Edrie Wellendorf
- Brian Struck Family
- Pat Gress, Deb Gress

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**...Salt is good for seasoning. But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again? You must have the qualities of salt among yourselves and live in peace with each other.**

Mark 9:50

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**September 26 and 27, 2015**

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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As We Gather... We live in an age where we are being told we need to have less salt. The Bible says that salt preserves. When we talk about salt, we are talking about its ability to save things. Matthew tells us that we are the salt of the earth. Salt preserves, but salt in the wound stings. We are wounded, that’s what sin does to us, and when we first hear God’s Word, we hear a law that shows us our sins, and it stings. But without that salt sting, we might not have believed that we had sinned.

Pavers for the Playground Zion’s playground is in the process of having artificial turf installed! Most of the cost has been covered, but there are still landscaping bricks that need to be purchased. PTL is offering pavers for $25 each, and your name will be listed on a donor plaque. You can choose: In memory of, In honor of, or Give in by. Contribution is tax-deductible. Forms are available in the narthex or Zion office. Thank you!

Scrip Gift Card Program Next order will be placed on Monday, October 5 by 9am. Thank you to those who placed an order with Scrip this week or have come in to purchase cards in stock. Our profit for this week’s order is $121.05.

LWMIL Weekend is October 3 and 4. There will be a “noisy offering” at all services. Bring your loose change!

Apple Pies are back! Evening Guild ladies are at it again! Small are $6; large are $8. Call Edrie Wellendorf to order at 263-2655.

Youth Hayride for 8th-12th grade Zion members tonight at 5:00pm at Yellow Smoke. Bring $1 and a friend!

Evening Guild 50th anniversary brunch Saturday, October 10 at 10am for all Evening Guild members.

Books There are many books available in the office lobby and they are free! These books are no longer needed in the school library.

Immanuel (Soldier Township) Soup Supper tonight from 5-8pm. Serving potato, chili and vegetable beef soup, sandwiches and desserts. Adults $7; children (6-12) $5; children (5 & under) free.

First English Lutheran Church and Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School in Spencer invite you to join them in worship and celebration on Sunday, October 4 at 2pm for the dedication and blessing of their new school building at 1311 E. 18th St. in Spencer. Everyone is invited!

Pray for those with health concerns: Lilith Kruse, Todd Martens, Jerry Malony, Mae Hennings, Lodean Schmidt, Darrell Slecha, Paulette Boger, Les Campbell and Galen Bral. *Names will be carried on the list for three weeks. If you would like to keep a prayer request listed after three weeks, contact the Zion office. Due to privacy issues, direct permission must be received for names to be listed. Thank you.

Pray for blessings for all families and Zion staff: Especially remember these members: Oskar and Margie Jurgens, Deb, Kassidy, Kaitlyn and Hunter Pieper, Marylou and John Schnellner, Bea Snyder and Matt, Gretchen, Zeke and Amos Gosch.

Birthday Blessings to Zane Løsman as he celebrates his 85th birthday, to Mrs. Laverne Christiansen who celebrates her 87th birthday, and to Lillie Klink who celebrates her 102nd birthday.

Baptism Blessings to Clutch Everett, son of Jared and Melissa (Kepford) Bruck. Remember them in your prayers that they may continue to grow in faith and love for the Lord.

Anniversary Blessings to Kenneth and Sharlene Christiansen as they celebrate their 48th wedding anniversary. May you two continue to be a blessing to God, to others, and to each other in your marriage together.

Financial Update We are still $70,000 in debt. Please continue to keep the mission and ministry of Zion in your prayers. Thank you for your continued financial support.

Walk for Life peaceful rally for the unborn along Hwy. 30 on Sunday, October 4 from 2-3pm.

Building Healthy Families: So often we slip into the habit of living for the approval of others. Jesus assures us that our Father, who sees and knows us inside out, is pleased. He told us that we need to have less salt. The Bible says that salt preserves. When we talk about salt, we are talking about its ability to save things. Matthew tells us that we have to eat meat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I bring them forth out of the land of Egypt? Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,’ to the land that you swore to give their fathers? Where am I to get meat to give to all these people? For they weep before me and say, ‘Give us meat, that we may eat.’ I am not able to carry all this people alone; it is too heavy for me. If I will tell you what I will do to the people; if I have meat to eat, will you be satisfied with it?” Then the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy elders of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you... So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and to tell the people. And Moses said to him, “Put your hand behind your waist.” And Joshua the son of Nun ran from Moses' presence to Eldad and Medad. And the LORD said to Moses, “Do not rebuke him...” Then Moses said, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!”

Epistle Reading James 5:13-20 Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power to save. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Holy Gospel Reading Mark 9:30-37 John said to [Jesus], “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able to soon afterward speak of evil me. For the one who is not against us is for us. For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, there is none among them who shall lose anything. Whoever gives one of these little ones a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he shall certainly not lose his reward. If one hand of yours causes someone to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. If your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched. ‘For everyone with salt will be salted, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Stewardship Thought... “Giving is worship.”

Old Testament Reading Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel, weeping again and again, “Oh that we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I bring them forth out of the land of Egypt? You keep your saltiness and be at peace with one another.”

Daily Bible Readings
Sunday Mark 9:38-50
Monday Matthew 5:13-20
Tuesday Luke 14:25-35
Wednesday Colossians 4:2-6
Thursday Romans 6:1-14
Friday 1 Corinthians 10:23-33
Saturday Psalms 101:1-3
Sunday Mark 10:2-16

Zion's Harvest Dinner Wednesday, October 14 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed: Sign-up sheets in narthex.