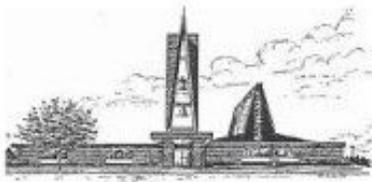


Wayne Zion Lutheran Church

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"...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,"¹

Hebrews 12:1b, 2a

Dear Friends,

If you've received an email from me, then you'll recognize these words from Hebrews footnoted below. This favorite verse

from the New Testament comes out of my Bible proficiency work at Luther Seminary. The unknown author of Hebrews reminds us we are on a journey, but we are not alone. Before us – we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. In our Prayers of Intercession each Sunday, we pray to the saints who revealed God's love and mercy in this life. Inspired by their witness, we have been strengthened in hope through faith.

Many of us look back one, maybe two generations. In our family a parent, sibling, or grandparent witnessed their faith in God to us. In Hebrews chapter 11 several other faithful witnesses are sited: Abel, Abraham, Moses, the Israelites passing through the Red Sea, and those who, marching under God's command, saw the walls of Jericho fall. Their witness may have been subtle or immense. In either case they had a profound impact in our own faith journey. The Hebrews writer also makes the case we do not travel alone. The One who went before us is with us now.

God is with us now and meets us down the road! Look to God in Christ Jesus who is the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Every journey has its highs and lows, and ups and downs; without them it would not be a journey. Change requires us to make difficult choices. And to see life through God's eyes, as shared by the Prophet Jeremiah, "I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope" (Jeremiah 29:11). Trusting in God's love and mercy for us requires keeping our eyes on Jesus who runs alongside us, so as not to stumble or fall.

As this season of "Sundays after Pentecost" progresses into the dog days of summer, may we be reminded often we are not alone. We have faithful witnesses showing us the way. And we have the one who is the way, the truth and the life spurring us on, ready to meet us at our journey's end, Jesus Christ.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Wade+

Footnote: Hebrews 11:29-12:2 our assigned Epistle Lesson on the 10th Sunday after Pentecost.

Vacation Bible School is coming! Save the Date: Thursday, August 18th, 10 am—2 pm

VBS

Plans are underway for a day of water-filled fun! Children ages three through entering 5th grade are invited to come join us in immersing ourselves in learning about the Lord's waters of baptism. Watch for details coming soon.

DAYS FOR GIRLS

submitted by Deb Lacock

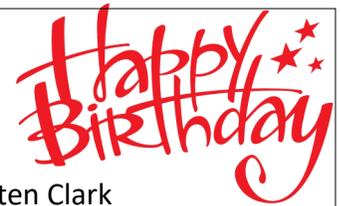
Days for Girls is a ministry which meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the Overflow. We make portions of the feminine hygiene kits that are taken to third world countries and distributed. We are passionate about girls there who need “monthly” supplies so they can continue their education or jobs. In that part of the world, if they have no supplies, they must stay home. Their education or work suffers, and not because of their abilities. Our group contributes toward a sustainable solution where paper products are not used. Included with the cloth kits are educational materials covering women’s health, cleanliness and reproduction.

We welcome new people, and will find something to do for anyone who shows up! Some people like to sew, and some do not. Many hands are needed to make the supplies. The work is not difficult, but it is time-consuming. We enjoy visiting while we work and even enjoy mid-morning coffee and later, lunch together. For more information, visit our webpage at waynezion.org/ministries ([Days for Girls Ministry – Wayne Zion](#)).



On Sunday, August 28th, Wayne Zion will have her third Sesquicentennial celebration, with the theme “Celebrating our Youth Ministries.” The church service will feature special music and a power point presentation of photos covering many years of youth activities. Following the service our students will host lunch and an Ice Cream Social. Our Guest Preacher is Reverend Dr. Paul Tobiason. All are welcome to attend.

August Birthdays



- 1- Lexi Bronemann, Tristen Clark
- 2- Ethan Zumbach
- 3- Marvin Dusanek
- 6- Lucus Stutt, Deb Keating
- 8- Wanda Steuri, Pat Adams
- 9- Jennie Meyer, Kris Weers
- 10- Easton Prull, Nikki Freese
- 13- Jim Weers, Tristan Weers
- 14- Penny Engelbart, Nancy Dusanek
- 16- Scott Behrends
- 17- Marcia Kray, Brittney Telleen
- 18- Hanley Telleen
- 20- Mitchell Frazier
- 22- Zuzana Stonawski, Brenner Siebels
- 23- Julia Carlson, Melissa Motley
- 24- Lois Poppe, Barb Hayden, Sharon Roller, Emily Schulte
- 25- Sarah Guyer, Adam Recker
- 27- Arlene Bendixen, Doug Yates, Claire Taylor, Renee Barkema
- 28- Dale Heeren, Carol Hagen
- 31- Finnley Smyth, Kennford Sieverding



August Anniversaries

- 1- Jennie & Lucas Meyer
- 3- Randy & Toni Dettbarn
- 4- Ivan & Linda Eden
- 5- Dean & Barbara Hayden, Dave & Sue O'Brien
- 6- Ben & Whitney Hein
- 7- Todd & Renee Barkema
- 8- Jason & Shannon Jamison
- 11- Nicholas & Heather Weers
- 12- Amanda & Simon Porter
- 14- Pete & Diane Temple, Gary & Janet Rickels
- 15- Mike & Deb Bowman, Mike Burkle & Johna Phillipson
- 17- Mark & Deb Hein, Becky & Ondrej Stonawski
- 18- Nick & Bridget Hein
- 19- Richard & LuAnn Wolken, Ed & Sharon Roller
- 20- Steve & Val Woodward, Ashley & Ethan Zumbach
- 23- Robert & Julie Welter, Mitch & Kendi Monk
- 25- Russ & Penny Engelbart, Amy & Ryan Humlick
- 28- John & Kathy Harms
- 31- Steve & Lisa Monk