Email for Tuesday June 21

DON'T FORGET!!! The entire congregation is encouraged to join us in the congregational servant event Thursday, June 23 at 5pm. Dinner and then packing care kits for various organizations. Our goal is to pack 250 kits. Fellowship and community support.

Tuesday June 28th from 9-11am is next PLAYDATE at Zion! If you or anyone you know want to get together with another caregiver of newborn - five year olds for some networking, discussion, and playtime, sign up here: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsL9U3RefLvnoiqtoQpm4EwXHaSKd</u> Pl q7FnEzx1zu7M37xg/viewform?usp=sf link

Grayson Nye will offer a special piano concert Wednesday, June 29 at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. Grayson will be moving to Chicago later this summer to further his performance and teaching career in music. This will be a great opportunity to enjoy a special time with Grayson. He has enriched our worship for over six years! He would also like to allow this to be a fundraiser for a favorite local ministry called OPEN DOORS KALAMAZOO, which is building a community of people who are overcoming homelessness through relationships, housing, employment, education, and sobriety in response to God's love for all.

Zion History Display in BLENDS. Phil Kunze gathered photos from our archives for the 150th anniversary. Some of these are on display now in BLENDS as we approach our July anniversary date.

Let us know of other email addresses in your household who would like to receive our emails (in case they don't all look at your email address.) We don't want to miss anyone with our information!!!

"Walk Through the Bible" study with Pastor Seeber is Facebook and YouTube each Tuesday. This is intended to help better understand the books of the Bible for your own personal Bible study.

"Revelation" class with Pastor Brelje Sunday 9:00 to 9:45 in Gathering Space, giving an overview and highlights of the visions of John shared during a time of persecution in the early Church.

Congratulations to **Rollie Preuss as a recent recipient of 20 year award** as a member of the CEF investment ministry for the Michigan District.

Church Office hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm 382-2360 / zion@zionkazoo.org **For pastoral assistance**: Pastor Seeber 501-3624 / Aaron 271-2848 Pastor Brelje 330-9538 / Pastor Couch 598-8167

IMPORTANT! We will be receiving a new list of prospective Senior Pastors for Zion from the District office. If you know of a pastor whom you think might fit in well here at Zion, please request a form from the church office to share his name, present congregation, and why he should be considered. Forms can be returned to the church office and will be forwarded to the call committee. Thanks!

LOAVES AND FISHES. We continue to feed the hungry in our community through Loaves and Fishes. Zion has supported this ministry for more than thirty years and we are gradually getting more food each week. Any canned and boxed food items are accepted, but the greatest need in June is healthy snacks low in sodium and sugar.

Thank you for your financial support. Our members continue to be faithful in supporting our ministry and mission! Any additional, regular support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you also for your prayers and the many other ways you are involved in and support our ministry!

To make an online donation, or to set up regular online giving, follow this link: https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo

RELIEF FOR PEOPLE OF UKRAINE! Anyone wishing to donate supporting relief efforts for the people of Ukraine should consider Lutheran World Relief: <u>https://donate.lwr.org</u>. Another reliable agency is the International Red Cross: <u>https://www.icrc.org/en/donate/ukraine</u>

County Health has changed masking policy to optional. Those who wish to mask should continue to feel comfortable doing so. We will continue to have communion assistants masked to ease any concerns. We understand how delicate an issue this is for all.

If you have been hospitalized, are newly confined to home or a residence facility, or have a new address or phone number, please call the church office and let us know!

Prayers (no phone calls please): Steve Nuyen: recent hospitalization. Lucy Maxson: recovering from heart surgery. Pastor Couch: his father is in hospice care.