

6/4/2024 email to congregation

We celebrate Pastor Mike's 25 years in ministry! Watch these emails for a celebration meal in August.

It is Summer Time and that means travel! If you find yourself having to miss a Sunday Service you can always find it recorded on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/@zionkazoo>

We are happy to announce new EXPANDED office hours! We are now open Monday to Thursday from 9am – 4pm, and Friday from 9am – 12pm Noon.

On June 9th we encourage you to stick around after 10am outdoor service for a tailgate lunch and some family activities. We will be serving up brats and hotdogs for anyone who wants to hang out for a bit and also providing some bubble fun and Bible studies for families. We hope you'll join us! Invite a friend!

Enjoy summer shopping at the Family Fun day!! Grateful Hearts/Thankful Hands will have a table of summer Grab and Go gifts. Be ready for your summer gatherings with hostess gifts for friends or gift giving to special people in your lives.

Backyards, Bourbon, and Bibles If you are a fan of lawncare, bourbon, and God's Word we invite you to join us for a new Men's Group this summer! We will meet at various locations but our next scheduled dates are June 26, July 31, and August 21, all at 8pm. If you're interested in coming to one (or all) of these contact Aaron Grube at dcegrube21@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars for June 24th! On that Monday night we will gather as a congregation for a meal and then split off into two main groups: Families for Bible based activities/discussions AND a Servant Event Crew. ALL of the congregation is invited! Dinner is at 5pm and we head out for projects/activities around 5:45pm. We will do this again (different projects and activities of course) on July 9!

Let's Hike with Mike! Starting June 25th 7:30pm, Pastor Mike is hosting a 1.5 mile hike of the Kleinstuck Preserve on the 4th Tuesday of the month in June, July and August. Join for the fellowship and enjoy refreshments after the hike. Meet at the parsonage!

Gryphon Place is collecting donations for tornado victims at 9246 Portage Industrial Drive. They are collecting paper towels, garbage bags, disinfectant spray & wipes, laundry detergent, sponges, rubber gloves, dish soap, hand soap, cleaners, ziplock bags, black haircare products, razors, and shaving cream.

Just a reminder: Prayer Shawl meets every 3rd Saturday of every month from 2pm – 4pm at 5 Lakes on West Main St Kalamazoo.

The family of Rollie and Sharon Preuss asks that you join them as they host a Celebration of Life for Sharon on June 15th beginning at 10am for visitation. 11am will be a service, followed by a luncheon at noon.

Friends of Jesus Preschool Summer Camp is now here! Children ages 3-6 are welcome to attend. Sessions are week-long with exciting themes including Bubble Party, Space Explorers, and Music Mania.

Full and half-day sessions are available. For more information and registration stop by the preschool office or visit www.friendsofjesuspreschool.com.

FOJ thanks everyone for their continued support! As always, if you are interested in making a donation, cash or check can be placed in the locked dropbox outside the preschool office or by making an online donation and choosing Friends of Jesus Preschool from the drop-down. Thank you!

Weekly meditations continue to be posted Mondays and Fridays on Zion's Facebook

(On Wednesdays we share a preview of Sunday's lessons to ready you for worship – feel free to share with friends!)

WKZO radio ministry / Sundays 9:30am / WKZO

Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES! For June they are asking for Juice and Cereal. Donations can be placed in the gray tubs outside the office.

Church Office hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm, Friday 9am-12pm

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For pastoral assistance:

Pastor Mike 419-203-6770 / Pastor Couch 598-8167 / Aaron 271-2848

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

Thank you for your continued financial support. 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>

Prayers: Please remember in your prayers: Rollie Preuss and his family on the passing of Sharon, Garr Gast's wife, Maureen, Jack Sauer and Benno Rosin for healing. Jack Engelder and Savannah Schmitz as they get married this weekend and transition to Zion. Jason & Emily Groth as they prepare to go into the mission field in Belize.