

5/28/2024 email to congregation

**On Sunday June 2nd we will be celebrating Pastor Mike's 25 years in ministry!** Please join us after the 10am outdoor service for cookies and refreshments! We will be having a bigger celebration later this summer.

**Our Baccalaureate service will also be June 2<sup>nd</sup> at both the 8am indoor and 10am outdoor service.**

Please be sure to congratulate our Zion graduates on their accomplishments:

**High School:** Claire Alsvig, Megan Brennan, Isabella Essink (Frazier), Aly Hampshire, Maren Hampshire, Riley Ketchum, Alex Kiessling, Rudy Linebaugh

**College:** Tessa Butt, Avery Eastman, Catherine Holt, Hunter Laurin, John Skuratowicz, Jr, Siarha Tangeman

**Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> is our Blood Drive at Zion!** Hours are from 12:00pm to 5:45pm. For an appointment visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code ZLC, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

**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!

**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.

**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](mailto:dcegrube21@gmail.com).

Thank you to all that were able to attend Jason Groth's Ordination this past Sunday, it was a wonderful event and it meant the world to Jason and his family to share that moment.

Reminder! We are now doing Sunday 10:00am Outdoor services, which means no Sunday school throughout the summer. Classes will resume in September!

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate our preschoolers at the Moving Up & Moving On ceremony. It was a wonderful evening for all. We are looking forward to our summer camp adventures and wish God's blessings upon our preschool students and their families.

If you missed the FOJ Moving On Moving Up ceremony last week, here is the video:

<https://youtube.com/live/pArF6MCzaRg?feature=share>

Friends of Jesus Preschool Summer Camp is just around the corner! 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](http://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!

**Our Lutheran World Relief Guild is extremely low on baby booties.** The booties can be gently used or new. Knitted booties are fine. A pattern is available if you like to knit. Contact Leona at 269-327-1798.

**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 May they are asking for Canned Vegetables (low sodium).** Donations can be placed in the gray tubs outside the office.

**Church Office hours:**

Mon - Weds 9am to 4pm, Thur 12pm-4pm

382-2360 / [zion@zionkazoo.org](mailto:zion@zionkazoo.org)

**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 pray for the family of Walter Mutz on his passing, additionally please remember in your prayers: Rollie Preuss and his family on the passing of Sharon, Carol and Mike O'Connor on the passing of Carol's mother. Jack Sauer and Benno Rosin for healing. Jack Engelder and Savannah Schmitz as they come to Zion. Jason & Emily Groth as they prepare to go into the mission field in Belize.