

Email for August 16

**Helping Others Ministry... School supply collection is now set up in the hallway and sales are happening at area retailers.** The items collected will go to Community In Schools Kalamazoo. Our members have been of great support every summer for children whose parents might not be able to afford all of the extras the schools can no longer provide. Thank you for your support!!!!

**Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> Zion Play Date 9 - 11**

**Aug 28<sup>th</sup> Congregation Picnic... Games @ 4:30 Dinner @ 5:00 (no cost!)** This year we will again feature fried chicken from Lee's along with all the other goodies, just like last year. Come one! Come all. This is great fellowship and catching up with friends you haven't seen all summer!

**Sept 25<sup>th</sup> AFTERNOON GOLF OUTING** Details and sign-up are on the Kiosk. Please sign up or call church office soon! Come alone, bring a twosome or foursome ... a great time for all!

**Sept 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend** -- Check the Bulletin Board for newly posted information or call Pete & Chris Wilkins 269.381.6324

**Summer worship schedule: Saturday 5:30 pm / Sunday 8am / Sunday 10 am**

**Sept 11 will begin our fall class schedule! Get ready for Sunday School / Confirmation / Adult classes .... Harbinger has details, call the church office or talk to Aaron or Pastor Tim for more details ...**

**Music Ministry Assistance.** Would you like to sing once in a while with a choir, ensemble, or to help lead hymns? Do you play a musical instrument well enough to assist with an ensemble or accompany organ? We are wondering if there are gifts in our midst that we have not been made aware of yet. If you have questions or are interested, call the church office, or talk to one of the staff.

**Return of the Funeral Luncheons:** We feel we can now return to these special luncheons. We are looking for people to help organize, serve, and clean up. If you are willing to be on our "call list" for a food donation or able to assist in the kitchen on that day, please let us know. Email either Bev Snow at [cakepan34@charter.net](mailto:cakepan34@charter.net) or Carol Rosin at [rosredhen@charter.net](mailto:rosredhen@charter.net).

**PLEASE! Let us know of other email addresses in your household (in case not everyone sees these emails) We don't want to miss anyone with our information!!! (and husbands and wives don't forget to share these with each other! Ha!)**

**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

**HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO SARA BUSSEY!!!**

### **NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Congratulations to Kalamazoo Christian senior Sara Bussey, who has been named a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. Sara qualified as a semi-finalist last fall based on her score on the PSAT (the entrance exam for the National Merit competition) and moved to the next stage of the competition, which required a qualifying score on the SAT, a substantial application, and a recommendation process. More than 1.5 million students take the PSAT each year, and Sara is one of only 15,000 students nationwide to be named a finalist. Approximately 7,500 Merit Scholarship winners will be selected from those 15,000 finalists.



**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 **August is whole grain pasta**

**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: <https://donate.lwr.org>. Another reliable agency is the International Red Cross: <https://www.icrc.org/en/donate/ukraine>

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:** Rosemarie Griffith