

6/18/2024 email to congregation

**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>

**Check out where Pastor Mike and Laura visited!** Mission Central in Mapleton Iowa got a couple of unexpected guests this past week, and they wrote all about it! Read the article printed on the church billboard or kiosk, or go directly to the article via this link and check out Mission Central's webpage and awesome work: <https://missioncentral.us/another-real-miracle-at-mission-central-from-kalamazoo-michigan-on-june-13th-2024/>

**CANCELLATION:** Due to the anticipated heat, **Picnic in the Park with Friends of Jesus is CANCELLED (originally scheduled for Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM)** We will update on a rescheduled date in the future.

**Do you need some help around your house?** We would love to provide some volunteers for service this summer! We have two nights where congregation members will be gathering but if there are other jobs you might not be able to do, please let Aaron know! [dcegrube21@gmail.com](mailto:dcegrube21@gmail.com) or call the church office.

**Youth entering 5<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to meet up this summer!** To get on the text chain contact Aaron 269-271-2848.

**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).

**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. There is are sign up sheets on the kiosk, or you can reach out to Aaron via email at [dcgrube21@gmail.com](mailto:dcgrube21@gmail.com) to participate. We will do this again (different projects and activities of course) on July 9!

**Let's Hike with Mike! Starting June 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm,** Pastor Mike is hosting a 1.5 mile hike of the Kleinstuck Preserve on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month in June, July and August. Join for the fellowship and enjoy refreshments after the hike. Meet at the parsonage! Not able to hike? Visit at the parsonage

Thank you for supporting the bazaar with your Grab and Go Gift purchases. To date we have made \$180! We will have an outside booth at Kalamazoo Kitty this Saturday, June 22 from 10 to 6 with many, many more to delight you. Please tell your friends.

**The Annual Kalamazoo Growlers Game is July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:35pm – Tickets are only \$20 for adults, kids 18 and under are FREE – but hurry, these tickets are limited.** Join other Zion families and friends on the annual trip to the Growlers! Family Ministry is covering the cost of kids 18 and under, so they are free. Tickets are first come, first served and we only have **25 tickets left** at this time! This event is open to everyone in Zion's congregation and family/friends. Ticket includes dinner and vouchers for

drinks/hats/etc! To sign up, contact Aaron at [dcegrube21@gmail.com](mailto:dcegrube21@gmail.com) or sign up on the Kiosk at the church.

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](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!

**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 peanut butter, almond butter, jams and jelly.** Donations can be placed in the gray tubs outside the office.

**Church Office hours:**

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

269-382-2360 / [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:** Congratulations and prayers for Fritz and Lauren Klug who were married last week. Pray for the Meyer family as Mark's mother Ruth passed away on 6/13, arrangements are pending. Please remember in your prayers: the family of Dr. David Lyth, Rollie Preuss and his family on the passing of Sharon. Ollie Rutgers for healing from her procedure today, Angelo Waterlander for his recovery as well and Garr Gast's wife, Maureen, Jack Sauer and Benno Rosin for healing. Patty Langworthy for healing on her upcoming surgery. Jack & Savannah Engelder as they celebrate their union honeymooning in Germany before they transition to Zion. Jason & Emily Groth as they prepare to go into the mission field in Belize.