Email for August 2

COMING EVENTS:

Aug 7th Tailgate lunch following 10:00 Worship Service (no cost!) (If you haven't signed up yet, but plan to attend, please call the Church office by tomorrow!)

August 9th from 9am - 11am. "Our next Playdates at Zion (for families with kids 0-5 years old + siblings) is Tuesday, We've been having a great time and we hope you'll join us!"

August 13th GROWLERS BASEBALL GAME August 13. Ticket to the game includes "all you can eat in 4 innings buffet. "\$10/adult, free for kids. Tickets are still available. Sign up on kiosk or call the church office. Don't wait

Aug 28th Congregation Picnic... Games @ 4:30 Dinner @ 5:00 (no cost!)

Sept 25th AFTERNOON GOLF OUTING Details and sign-up are on the Kiosk

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

If you have a student entering 6th-8th grades this year, they are encouraged to attend <u>Confirmation Orientation Camp August 9 & 10.</u> We meet from 9am - 1pm at Zion and discuss the Confirmation ministry, logistics, and curriculum, as well as get to know each other and have some fun! Incoming 6th graders also go through First Communion instruction with Pastor Tim. If you have any questions or would like more information please contact Aaron ASAP at dcegrube21@gmail.com.

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!!!!!

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.

Communion and Liturgy. We will be returning to more familiar practices this fall. Watch for a special mailing in the next week or so, explaining our gradual return to some of what we have given up during Covid.

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 or Carol Rosin at 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

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: The family of Juanita Gregg on her death, Jack Devries, Mary Sperti, Marvin Rutgers, Rebecca McLaren Craft-