



Above: Vacation Bible School

## The Mission of God The Mission of the Church

### Everyone is in the Mission Field

The church is both the result of God's mission and the means by which he continues his mission in the world. The proclamation of the Gospel of Christ continues in and for the church and we, the church, must continue to proclaim Christ to the world. This includes activities such as local mission work, supporting missionaries at home and abroad, and planting new

churches. Mission work not an option for the church!

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod sends missionaries to the ends of the earth. They come from all walks of life. They are school teachers, office workers, doctors, and truck drivers. They are fresh out of college and newly retired; students and stay at home moms; pastors and people who work with their hands for a living. They serve for a week or two with a team or they spend years immersed

in a culture. They touch lives with the Good News of God's great love for all people. They share this in words, in actions and in the relationships they build. But you don't have to go "over there" or even "somewhere" to be part of the work of God to seek and to save the lost.

Recall what Dr. C. F. W. Walther, first president of the LC-MS said: "Every believing Christian should really be a missionary, that is that everyone has the duty to do

Zion Lutheran Church,  
led by God, has been  
established to sow  
God's Word, nurture  
the believer, and foster  
growth in Christ.

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everything within his calling and station in life to bring also to others the treasure of the saving knowledge which he has already found.”

We continue the mission of God “until the end of the age” (Matthew 28.20). God calls each of us to join Him in the work He is doing at home and all over the world. Wherever God has placed us. The possibilities are endless.

We can support missions through short-term or long-term service. We can support missionaries through our giving —by giving directly to our missionaries who must often raise their own funding to travel and work sharing the Gospel or by giving to mission organizations or to the District or Synod offices. We can support missions through our prayers.

I've had a few conversations in the past year about doing short-term mission trips with the people of Zion. I've been blessed to go on a few trips,

both at home and abroad. We have been blessed to hear the good news about Jesus and perhaps we can go out into the world to share this good news! In the weeks and months ahead, I will endeavor to (1) gauge interest within the congregation and our circles of friends and (2) start the conversation about specifics. I invite you all to consider participating, or, if that's not possible, be part of the conversation and pray for discernment for the congregation if we press ahead with this idea!

Finally, in the coming months, we'll have opportunities to participate in Bible studies and seminars dealing with evangelism. Take part! Spend time in the Word. Pray. Thank God for all that we have and all that we are through His Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

+ Peace to you +  
Pastor Scott

## September Birthdays

- 5 PHYLLIS HUNSUCKER
- 5 DON MERRIGAN
- 7 LENA WEBB
- 13 PAUL WUNDER
- 14 JANICE MARSH
- 17 KIRT BROWN
- 17 CLAYTON BENTSEN
- 21 CHARLIE KELLY
- 25 REGINA HOUSTON
- 26 MARK HERTEL
- 28 CHARLOTTE ROBATCEK
- 30 KINSEY HULLMAN

## Sept. Anniversaries

- 3 JOHN & STACI  
NICKELSON
- 4 JIM & BONNIE FIELDS
- 16 RON & BARBARA  
EICHELKRAUT

## BIBLE STUDIES @ ZION

SUNDAYS, 9:00 AM

*The Gospel of Mark*

Location: Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAYS, 1:00 PM

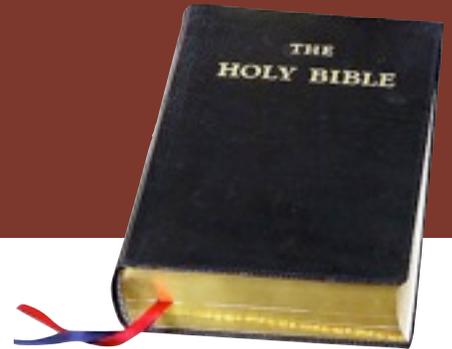
*Adult Bible Study*

Location: Family Room

## LUTHERANISM 101

This class is for anyone who has never been through adult instruction or confirmation in the Lutheran Church... or wants a refresher! This class began in August and run 10-12 weeks.

We will meet in Pastor Scott's office on Sundays after worship for about 45 minutes. See Pastor for more information!



## Thank You!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ!

As September 4th came and went this week, I have been reflecting on the past year. It has gone so fast! Christine and I are so grateful to God and to you, our family at Zion, for all your support and encouragement. You have been a blessing. Thanks for a great year!

+ In Christ +  
Pastor & Christine

September 10th through the 14th. They ask us to be aware of the road signs, equipment, trucks, and flaggers in the construction zone. Access to the church may require you to use an alternate route during construction. Thank you and drive safely!

an orientation meeting for interested volunteers on Monday, September 24, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Please call the Center at 541.883.4357 and let them know if you will be able to attend the orientation meeting.

## PREGNANCY

## HOPE

## CENTER

2421 Washburn Way  
Klamath Falls, OR 97603  
[www.careformybody.com](http://www.careformybody.com)



## CHURCH PICNIC

The annual church picnic will be on September 9th at Crest Park, following Church, on the corner of Hillyard and Crest Streets. See the sign-up sheet in the family room to see what you can bring!

Do you have an interest in ministering to expecting mothers? The **Pregnancy Hope Center** has been serving the Klamath Basin since 1994. The Center was started by Martha Callaway who recognized the urgent need for a life-affirming pregnancy care resource in this community. They will have

Did you know Zion has had a food pantry since the early 1980s? It is still stocked and monitored by the Board for Human Care and distributed by the Board for Human Care, the Elders, and the Pastor. There is a small bin in the narthex for donations. Canned and boxed food or meals are always helpful! Thank you!

## RE-PAVING

## 11TH STREET

Rocky Mountain Construction, LLC, will be re-paving parts of our neighborhood from



## Lutherans For Life

Lutherans For Life (LFL) is so much more than an organization that produces facts and figures and keeps people informed on the latest life related news and political maneuverings. LFL is about speaking the truth of life—about Bringing Good News to Life. LFL applies the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the life issues, making Jesus known as the Son of God and Savior of all who can help and make a difference in people’s lives.

The focus of Lutherans For Life is two-fold. First, we

desire to say very clearly that death is not an acceptable, God-pleasing way to deal with the problems of life. Second, we desire to say very clearly that there is a better way. We ground both of these in the truth of God’s holy Word. His Word defines what is not acceptable. His Word points to a better way, He who is The Way, Jesus Christ.

Who are Lutherans For Life? Here are few basics:

Our Mission: Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life.

Our Vision: Every Lutheran congregation upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same.

Lutherans For Life believes that every human life—from conception to natural death regardless of physical or mental challenges or condition of dependence—is precious in God’s sight.

Lutherans For Life members serve as volunteers in caring pregnancy centers,



**Above:** Work on the stained glass windows began on August 27, with workers from Basin Glass removing the top four panels. The work will continue four panels at a time.





## WISDOM FROM WITTENBERG

*This regular feature shares a quote or short piece by a theologian from the Lutheran tradition.*

### **Herman Sasse (1895-1976)**

Hermann Sasse was a Lutheran theologian and author. He was considered one of the foremost confessional Lutheran theologians of the 20th century. Born in Germany, during World War II he was a vocal critic of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party. In 1949 he emigrated to Australia. This is from his 1948 essay entitled, "Liturgy and Lutheranism":

"One must celebrate the Blessed Sacrament with, so to speak, the wanderer's staff of the expatriate and the homeless in one's hand really to appreciate this [the connection between the Holy Eucharist and the Last Things]. 'Thus shall ye eat it with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and ye shall eat it in haste' (Ex. 12:11); these were words which the congregations founded by St. Paul and the church which received the Epistle to the Hebrews had in mind when they celebrated the Holy Communion. Therefore they were able imperturbably to maintain their faith in the Lord's Second Advent, for the plea, 'Amen, even so come, Lord Jesus' [Rev. 22:20] was being fulfilled in every celebration of the Holy Eucharist. As Israel was

**Above:** Pr. Clark, from St. John's Lutheran Church and School in Eagle Point, leads worship at the Lake of the Woods Camping event, 12 August. Several families from Zion attended.

facilitate educational programs, aid hospice, and give witness to chastity before marriage and faithfulness in marriage.

Our prayer is that together we can stand for the value and dignity of all human life from the youngest to the oldest, the preborn to the elderly, the weakest to the strongest. Jesus said, "I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these ... you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40 ESV). May we see the face of Jesus Christ in all people.

We are determined to energize and equip pastors and congregations, educators and schools, students and

young people to help them understand and speak the truth of God's Word. Jesus said, "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

We invite all Lutherans to help us Bring Good News to Life, to make the connection between the life issues and the Good News of Jesus. Instead of a "god of death," we offer the Lord of Life as the one who rescues from sin and death and who gives the hope of His eternal presence.

To learn more or donate, visit [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).



miraculously sustained during the desert wanderings by the Bread of Heaven and the spiritual Drink of the Rock that followed them (1 Cor. 10), so the Holy Communion miraculously sustains God's people of the New Covenant as they fare through the comfortless deserts of this world. Delivered from the house of Egyptian bondage, but with their entry into the eternal homeland still in the future, Christ's church militant here in earth wanders through the centuries of similar history until it finally will have crossed the desert and come to 'Canaan's happy shore.' Yet whenever the church, in obedience to the command and institution of our Lord, celebrates the Holy Eucharist in remembrance of him and thereby shows forth his death until he comes, all the centuries of the past and of the future shrink together into the mathematical point of his Presence and the vast distance that separates heaven from earth disappears."



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## Outreach Seminar

You are invited to join your brothers in sisters in Christ at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Central Point, OR for an Evangelism, Outreach & Affirmation Seminar!

**What:** A seminar that brings the teaching of vocation and the work of the Holy Spirit back into the practice of outreach

**When:** Saturday October 6th

**Where:**

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
745 N. 10th. Street  
Central Point, OR 97502

**Time:**

Registration/Check in  
8:00-9:00am Starts 9:00am  
goes to 3:30pm Lunch will be  
provided 12:30 to 1:00 pm

**More Info:**

Contact Barbara Pfohl  
abpfohl@charter.net  
Phone: 541-944-6292

**Note:** Pastor Scott

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## MISSIONAL COMMUNITIES

### ADVANCE

09-11 November 2012  
Camp Kuratli, Oregon

Ever thought of yourself as a  
"domestic missionary?" Don't  
miss the chance to network  
with Greg Finke of *Dwelling*  
1:14 [[www.dwelling114.org](http://www.dwelling114.org)]  
and mission-minded  
practitioners from across the  
Northwest District at Camp  
Kuratli just outside Portland.

Keynote sessions on being  
"domestic missionaries," PLUS  
TrainTracks: 3 one-hour  
breakout sessions on topics,  
including Missional  
Communities "Nuts & Bolts,"  
Re-Missioning My Faith  
Community, Do's and Don'ts in  
Ethnic Ministry, Missional  
Youth Lead NOW, and more.  
Also included: Inspiring  
worship, "Offtrack" networking  
sessions, and a "mission  
elders Q & A panel  
discussion."

Registration discounts for  
early registration before  
September 30, as well as for  
groups -- SO NOW IS THE  
TIME TO REGISTER! Also,  
discounts for commuters, and  
congregations bringing high  
school student leaders. For  
more information, go to [http://  
missiontrainingcenter.com/  
index.php?id=66](http://missiontrainingcenter.com/index.php?id=66).

If you want to go and wish  
to carpool, contact Pastor  
Scott.

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## CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD

*Every day counts... in the life of  
a child in foster care.*

The State of Oregon  
Judicial Department is in dire  
need of volunteer board  
embers to serve on their  
boards and perform reviews of  
cases of children in foster and  
substitute care. If you are  
looking for a way to help serve  
the most vulnerable members  
of our community, children in  
need, please consider sharing  
your time. Oregon's Foster  
Care Review Program provides  
independent review of the child  
welfare system to ensure that  
children and families are  
getting the services they need.  
They will hold an orientation  
training for prospective

volunteers on September 20  
and 21 in Klamath Falls.  
Contact Amy Church, Volunteer  
Resource Coordinator, at  
[CRB.Volunteer.Resources@ojd  
.state.or.us](mailto:CRB.Volunteer.Resources@ojd.state.or.us) or Suzanne  
Callahan, the Lead Field  
Manager for Southern Oregon  
at 541.776.7171 or  
[Suzanne.M.Callahan@ojd.stat  
e.or.us](mailto:Suzanne.M.Callahan@ojd.state.or.us) if you need more  
information or have any  
questions.



## WANTED: Fall Cleanup Coordinator

Are you an "organizer"? We  
are looking for someone to  
head the **Fall Cleanup** effort  
here at Zion. We are planning a  
workday in **October**. We need  
someone to put together a list  
of tasks and help coordinate  
the cleanup effort! We have  
been blessed with a wonderful  
facility, but it is 65 years-old  
and there is always something  
that needs to be done! Please  
consider how you might help  
and watch for more  
information. Questions? See  
Pastor Scott.

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## Altar Guild Notes

The next Altar Guild meeting is scheduled for **September 16th** after worship. Altar service for September is provided by **Adelaide Blair, Carol Lett,** and **Patsey Mathes.**

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# LITTLE LAMBS LEARNING CENTER

Little Lambs has just started another school year and we are blessed to have 18 students at this time. Ten students are returning and eight are new to the school.

We are in the process of interviewing for an afternoon

teacher and once that position is filled we'll have a full staff. All of our staff have great experience and wonderful education backgrounds, as well as being Christians, so we are fortunate to have all of them with us.

We are looking forward to September 13th when we will have a visit from two ladies from the Northwest District office. Robin and I were very happy to meet them last year in Portland at our conference. They are returning the favor by stopping to visit with us and help answer any questions we may have about Lutheran Education as well as see what our school looks like. Both of the ladies are wonderful and I ask that you pray for their safe travel and stay while they are in our area.

We are excited to be starting a year that will let us teach the children about Jesus during chapel time with Pastor as well as in the classroom. This year we'll also be learning about the animals in the Zoo and the continents

they come from. We have special projects planned and bible stories. If you've been down stairs you'll notice that the room has been changed. It is more welcoming and friendly for the ages we teach. We hope that you feel it is set up better for activities going on during Sunday mornings and afternoons as well. Please remember if you have any question or concerns to let me know.

As always thank you for all your support and prayers. Little Lambs would not be able to accomplish the mission of teaching children about Jesus without the support and prayers of Zion's congregation. We are truly blessed and hope that this will be another successful year.

God bless!

*Tricia Waggoner*

LLLC Director



**Coming Next Month:** Photos from Camp Cottonwood!