

ZION HERALD

We are a congregation that strives to be an inviting, faithful, and growing presence in our community and in our world, with a passion for living and spreading the love of Jesus Christ by using our spiritual and material gifts in the service of God's people

Where We Are

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Who We Are

A small, but growing congregation, we are welcoming and open to provide today's spiritual needs. With a long history behind us, we have a great future ahead.

Organist - Jill Summers

Zion Council

Nick Beck -Chair
Wayne McCracken -Vice Chair
Mickford Durgana
Christine Gulyasik -Recording Secretary
Ed Strath -Secretary
Ginette McCracken
Alethia McIntosh
Ingrid Beck -Treasurer



Worship Schedule

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| June 03 | 10 am Worship | 2nd Sunday After Pentecost with Pastor Mark Kalvaitis |
| June 10 | 10am Worship | 3rd Sunday After Pentecost with Pastor Peter Mikelic |
| June 17 | 10am Worship | 4th Sunday After Pentecost with Pastor Eric Schultz |
| June 24 | 10am Worship | 5th Sunday After Pentecost Pastor TBA |
| June 28 | 7pm Council Meeting (Thursday) | |



We Support The Olive Branch for Children

The Olive Branch for Children helps remote communities in Tanzania assess their primary needs and establish programs that target the most vulnerable. We focus on HIV/AIDS prevention and care, early childhood education, food security and vulnerable children and women. The goal is to establish community-led programs that empower remote communities and generate models that can be replicated in communities throughout Tanzania and elsewhere.

Income Generation Groups

We support our PLWH efforts to create support groups and help them strive toward economic autonomy. We work with our groups to debunk myths and stigmas about HIV, educate them with general business knowledge, help them secure markets and provide them with small

Zion News

At the beginning of May, a farewell BBQ lunch was held for Pastor Linda Douglas, who has spent 15 years with our congregation. We offer best wishes to her and Alan, as they embark on their next journey.

We also had a successful cleanup day around the church and cemetery property last month, filling nearly 20 bags with garbage. Some pruning, branch cleanup and soil redistribution remains to be done. Thanks to all who came out to help.

With the help of Eastern Synod, we are looking for a candidate to be our Pastor. A Call Committee has been tasked with the selection process. Meanwhile, we are fortunate to have a number of Supply Pastors available to lead service while we also look for and meet with potential Interim Pastors to support our Sunday services until a permanent Pastor is hired.



grants and loans to start cooperatives.

We have supported the creation of 4 widows' groups in 4 different communities. We have helped create a goat project, chicken project, a fish farm and a cassava project.

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This transitional time affords us a great opportunity to hear the words from a variety of Pastors. We have heard already from Pastor Mark Kalvaitis and will be also hearing from Pastors Peter Mikelic and Eric Schultz.

Since there is no permanent pastor for the time being, if you are in need of spiritual care, please contact any member of Council who will be pleased to help make contact with one of the supply pastors.

As Zion ventures into the congregational renewal that was endorsed at our Annual Meeting, we will be refreshing most activities with a view to providing an up-to-date environment both during Sunday service and through the rest of the week.

Summer often sees a drop in attendance at services as many members take advantage of our short summer weather to spend weekends away from home. We would like to continue providing regular Sunday service as expected, however one intriguing suggestion merits your consideration. If, during the summer months, we were to offer services on 3 Sundays per month, while encouraging the congregation to attend other area services instead on those other Sundays of the month. This would give all of us a taste of how other congregations hold their services and how other pastors serve. With this greater experience we can help form our own expectations and plans for how we would like our own services and other events to be presented in future.

It often seems like our church communities are too inward-focused and joint interaction among local church groups can only help strengthen all of us in service to God.

Your comments are welcome on this and any other topics.