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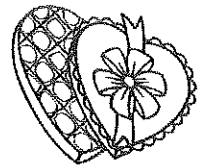


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January News

February News



The Power of Forgiveness

I recently started watching a new short series about Jesus and His followers called "The Chosen". The series portrays events that could have happened to Jesus and His followers mixed in with truth from the Scriptures. While it is unlikely that many of the events portrayed in the series actually happened, it does provide a picture of the historical events that were happening in Jesus' day. It also does a good job of painting a picture of how Jesus and His followers might have acted with each other. If your family is looking for a wholesome entertainment option, I would recommend it.

In one of the scenes Jesus was talking to a child, who was telling Jesus about a bully. It was obvious that the child was struggling with anger toward this person, and wanted to fight back. Jesus didn't get angry with the child, or scold him, but rather helped the child see that it was God's place to administer justice, and showed from the Scriptures that revenge is not what a God-fearing person should seek.

As I reflected on this, I began to think about all the injustices that have been happening in this world recently. While Christians are beginning to be persecuted more in America, active persecution of Christians has been commonplace in the world. While I was in seminary, a man named Peter from Africa was in my class. Peter shared stories of Muslims in his country who would mutilate and torture Christians. Some in his own family had even been on the receiving end of such treatment. And as more time passes it seems that Christians are less safe. Sadly, as we get closer and closer to the end of the world and the 2nd coming of Jesus, the Bible tells us that persecution will only increase!

So how can we prepare? What should Christians do to ready themselves for the increase in persecution? We should arm ourselves with God's Word. There are many Scriptures that provide clear guidance on this issue. 2 Thess. 1:6-8, Deut. 32:35, and Rom. 12:17-19 are just a few of the many verses that provide clear Biblical clarity on this matter. Furthermore, we are to remember that God will judge all people. And those who die continuing to reject the calling of God to repent of their sins, and believe in Jesus will be severely punished in hell for eternity. The coming judgement for unbelievers will be swift and severe.

While persecution will increase from unbelievers, it is even found among those who have faith in Jesus as well. For those of us that are persecuted by Christians, we would do well to remember the great debt we have been forgiven by God. For if God can forgive us our debt from all our sins, any persecution we endure by our brothers and sisters in Christ should be quickly and completely forgiven as well. It stinks when it happens, and one would hope that it wouldn't happen, but it does. How we react toward persecution from those inside and outside our faith can do more to further the cause of Christ than we realize. May our actions speak louder than words in showing the world the transformative power of Jesus' love and forgiveness.

Pastor Steve



Zion's *FLY* Colorado

Youth Trip 2021

This summer is the by-annual Estes Park Colorado youth trip called FLY (Free Lutheran Youth). This is a nation-wide youth gathering with over a thousand youth in attendance. We will be staying at the YMCA resort camp nestled in the Rocky Mountains. There will be swimming, hiking, many organized team games, great worship music, speakers, and more. To get the best price for this trip we need to register all youth no later than February 12th. The cost goes up for later registrations after that date.

To sign up go to the web page www.flyconvention.org and go to the registration link. Once this is filled out and a deposit is given (\$150) your place will be reserved. While the total cost per student for the trip is about \$525, the good news is that thanks to the generosity of the church and fundraising the actual cost for the trip could be even less than the deposit amount. If you are active and participate in all the fundraising events you should be able to have most if not all your trip paid for.

We plan on leaving Sunday July 4th after church in the 15 passenger van, and will return Sunday evening July 11th. We will stay in a hotel on the way down, and on the return trip so the trip will be a bit easier. If you need help signing up please see Pastor Rich. This is an experience that most consider one of the best youth events they have ever attended. If you have any questions that can't be answered from the webpage, feel free to contact Pastor Rich on his cell phone at 701-641-1736.

Again, we need all youth wanting to go to sign up no later than February 12th to get the best price. The deposit can be paid by the church if the youth have done, or plan on doing fundraising. The registration must be done online at www.flyconvention.org



THE NEW YEAR

Dear Lord, as this new year is born
I give it to Thy hand,
Content to walk by faith what paths
I cannot understand.

Whatever coming days may bring
Or bitter loss, or gain,
Or every crown of happiness;
Should sorrow come, or pain,

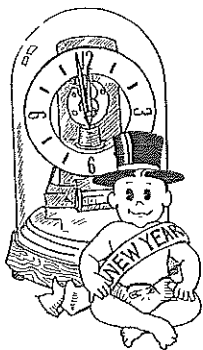
Or, Lord, if all unknown to me
Thine angel hovers near
To bear me to that farther shore
Before another year.

It matters not – my hand in Thine,
Thy light upon my face,
Thy boundless strength when I am
weak,

Thy love and saving grace!

I only ask, loose not my hand,
Grip fast my soul, and be
My guiding light upon the path
Till, blind no more, I see!

Martha Snell Nicholson



"CRUISE CONTROL" CHRISTIANS

We have a lot of "Cruise Control" Christians today! They go to church Sunday morning for an hour or two and then put their life in "spiritual cruise control" for the rest of the week, living a spiritually effortless life caught up in the cares of life. They are hoping they can cruise through the week, and their lives without touching the other spiritual instruments such as: church, midweek Bible study, Bible reading, prayer and family devotions. It's true...you can cruise a little while without God. But, mark my word, you'll come to a crossroad in your life, and more than likely, it will be a crisis, trial, death, or divorce; and unless you have God to lean upon, you'll crash and pay the consequences.

Let's face it – we can't make it on our own in these last days! It's going to take all of God that we can get to make it. Friend, beware of the "cruise control" and put "Christ in control". Your trip through life will be a lot smoother.

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NEW YEAR'S WISHES

What shall I wish thee?
Treasures of earth?
Songs in the springtime.
Pleasures and mirth?
Flowers on thy pathway,
Skies ever clear?
Would this insure thee
A Happy New Year?

What shall I wish thee?
What can be found
Bringing thee sunshine
All the year 'round?
Where is the treasure,
Lasting and dear,
That shall ensure thee
A Happy New Year?

Faith that increaseth,
Walking in light;
Hope that aboundeth,
Happy and bright;
Love that is perfect,
Casting out fear;
These shall ensure thee
A Happy New Year.

Peace in the Saviour,
Rest at His feet,
Smile of His countenance
Radiant and sweet,
Joy in His presence!
Christ ever near!
This will ensure thee
A Happy New Year!

F.R.H.



WINTER SUNSET

Amid the bleak and dreary scene
That winter brings to my backyard
I still find rosy, warming hope
As Winter's sunset I regard.

The vivid pink and scarlet cape
Flung wide across the western sky,
Restores in me the confidence
That even winter passes by.

God's flawless cycles of the year
Will waken Springtime, come next May;
While roses, sweet, unfold their bloom
My Winter-thoughts get stored away.

Devin R. Jones



IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER

In the bleak midwinter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak midwinter

Long ago.
Our God, Heaven cannot hold
Him,
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign.

In the bleak midwinter
A stable place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.

Christina Rossetti

SEVEN STEPS TO STAGNATION

1. We've never done it that way before.
2. We're not ready for that.
3. We're doing alright without it.
4. We tried that once before.
5. It costs too much.
6. That's not our responsibility.
7. It just won't work.

A SINNER'S PRAYER

1 John 1:8-10

Lord, I admit that I'm not good, I've messed up my life real bad;
Never given You the time of day, Never thanked You, never been glad.

I'm sickened with my foolishness and ashamed of the way I've been.
Please could You forgive me, Lord and wipe away this load of sin?

I'm not very good with words, Lord; Just know how I feel deep inside.
I took all this world had to offer, I was cruel and filled up with pride.

Every night is a haunting shadow, and it plagues me all the day.
I need You, Lord, to make things right and teach me how to pray.

I need to be a new person, Lord, The old one is too much to bear.
Please come into my heart and soul, give me a reason to love and care.

I'm weary Lord, I need Your strength, there's nothing left here inside me.
Please take this broken person, Lord. Change my life and set me free.

Maxine J. Waddington

What kind of a "Nut" is he?

He wants to run his own business. He wants to select his own doctor. He wants to make his own bargains. He wants to buy his own insurance. He wants to select his own reading matter. He wants to provide for his own old age. He wants to make his own contracts. He wants to educate his children as he wishes.

He wants to make his own investments. He wants to select his own friends. He wants to provide his own recreation. He wants to compete freely in the market place. He wants to grow by his own errors. He wants to profit from his own efforts. He wants to take part in the competition of idea. He wants to be a man of goodwill.

What kind of a nut is he? He's an American, who understands and believes in The Declaration of Independence, that's what kind!

Aren't you glad you are too? And don't you wonder why so many of our fellow Americans are trying so hard to destroy the kind of life that has made us the aim and the envy of every other people on earth?

The question is: *what kind of nuts are they?*



Committee to Protect Liberty



Doubt sees the obstacles -

Faith sees the way!

Doubt sees the darkest night -

Faith sees the day!

Doubt dreads to take a step -

Faith soars on high.

Doubt questions, "Who believes?"

Faith answers "I."



So You CAN'T...

So you can't a multitude feed -

Take some food to someone in need.

So you can't a lame man heal -

Drive him to church in your automobile.

So you can't restore sight to the blind -

Share your eyes and heart and mind.

So you can't raise the dead -

Comfort the living by sharing and yourself giving.

So at soul saving, you are not a whiz -

You can tell others of the One who is!

Ruth M. Wallsh

THE SEVEN MODERN SINS

Politics without principles.

Pleasures without conscience.

Wealth without work.

Knowledge without character.

Industry without morality.

Science without humanity.

Worship without sacrifice.

F. Donaldson

Truth, like fire, can comfort or consume, serve or sear, delight or destroy. Used with imagination, it is a torch that lights the way. Used with compassion, it is an ember that warms the heart. Used with courage, it is a spark that ignites reform. Used with wisdom, it is a flame that illumines the darkness...Such is the power of Truth!

WHAT HAPPENS IN US

The strongest trees are always those that have weathered the greatest number of storms. The question is not what is happening to the tree, but what is happening *in* the tree. It is the same with us. It really doesn't matter what happens to us, but it matters a great deal what happens *in us*.

GOD'S THERE ALONG THE WAY

I never really felt my life was all that bad.
I was fairly happy with the feelings that I had.
And so it took some time for me to truly know
Just exactly how much I could really grow.

I was not really searching for anything more.
I had no idea what exactly was in store.
But God reached down from above and took hold of my hand.
And then I felt a happiness that was hard to understand.
All those many people who had tried and tried
To tell me of His wondrous love, they surely had not lied.

They often tried to sell me on Someone I couldn't see.
But I just sat and wondered, "How could it really be?
How could there really be Someone up there to guide me
When all my thoughts and feelings were jumbled up inside me."

And finally it hit me just what they were trying to say.
And finally I realized there was another way.
No longer need I worry with problems great or small.
No longer need I hurry in my quest to conquer all.

God was there to stand beside me along my troubled way.
God was there to guide me, through the night and through the day.
And this is how I found Him, or should I say He found me.
Because truly I was not searching to change the heart in me.

I did not understand when people tried to share.
I did not understand, or maybe didn't care.
But now I know what's there for me, and it's out there for you, too.
God's strength will bring you sunshine, and will always pull you
through.

So no matter what the pressure is that I face from day to day.
No matter what the temptation is, God's there along the way.
So maybe what I've experienced can't compare to what you've been
through.

My life has been fairly short and my troubles have been few.

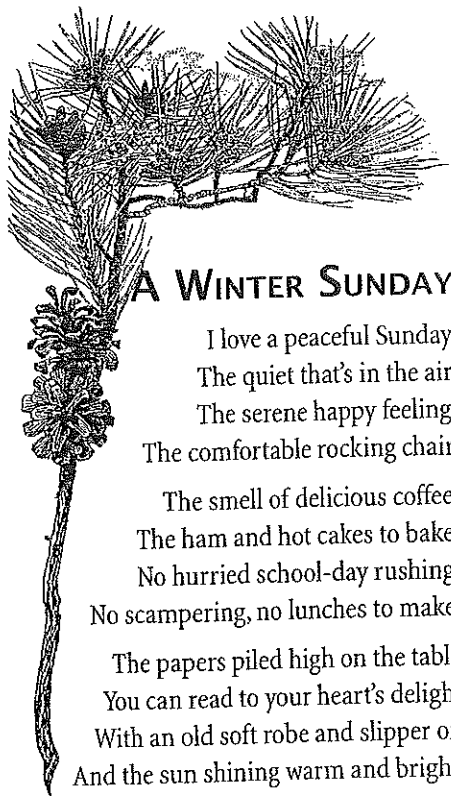
But something I am sure of is God's love for me and you.
And another thing I'm sure of is that faith will pull you through.

Amy Lynn Bordeaux

For me 'twas not the truth you taught-
To you so clear, to me so dim;
But how you lived, that brought to me
An overpowering sense of Him!

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Postcard to the Weather Bureau: "Sirs: I thought you would be interested in knowing that I have just shoveled three feet of partly cloudy from my front steps."



A WINTER SUNDAY

I love a peaceful Sunday,
The quiet that's in the air,
The serene happy feeling,
The comfortable rocking chair.

The smell of delicious coffee,
The ham and hot cakes to bake.
No hurried school-day rushing,
No scampering, no lunches to make.

The papers piled high on the table
You can read to your heart's delight
With an old soft robe and slipper on
And the sun shining warm and bright.

I love a quiet Sunday
With peacefulness in the air.
Let's count our blessings, go to church,
And say a little prayer.

Marguerite Halker

FUTURE...

Before me is a future
All unknown
A path untrod;
Beside me is a Friend,
Well-loved and known,
That friend is God.
Before me lies a new
And untried way,
Midst shadows dim.
Beside me is my Guide,
And day by day
I walk with Him.



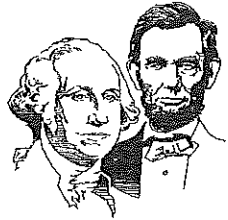
Presidents' Day is a federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday in February. Presidents' Day 2021 will occur on Monday, February 15. Originally established in 1885 in recognition of President George Washington, the holiday became popularly known as Presidents' Day after it was moved as part of 1971's Uniform Monday Holiday Act, an attempt to create more three-day weekends for the nation's workers. While several states still have individual holidays honoring the birthdays of Washington, Abraham Lincoln and other figures, Presidents' Day is now popularly viewed as a day to celebrate all U.S. presidents, past and present.



THE MOUNTAIN

If the mountain seems too big today
then climb a hill instead.
If the morning brings you sadness
it's OK to stay in bed.
If the day ahead weighs heavy
and your plans feel like a curse,
there's no shame in rearranging
don't make yourself feel worse.
If a shower stings like needles
and a bath feels like you'll drown,
if you haven't washed your hair for days,
don't throw away your crown.
A day is not a lifetime
a rest is not defeat,
don't think of it as failure,
just a quiet, kind retreat.
It's ok to take a moment
from an anxious, fractured mind,
the world will not stop turning
while you get realigned.
The mountain will still be there
when you want to try again,
you can climb it in your own time,
just love yourself til then.

Laura Ding-Edwards



QUOTES OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"It is no pleasure to me to triumph over anyone."

"I am always for the man who wishes to work."

"Most people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be."

"No man is poor who has had a Godly mother."

"I am very little inclined on any occasion to say anything, unless I hope to produce some good by it."

"Gold is good in its place, but living, brave, patriotic men are better than gold."

"I have never had a policy. I have simply tried to do what seemed best each day, as each day came."

"Stand with anybody that stands right. Stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong."

"Universal idleness would speedily result in universal ruin."

"The Lord prefers common-looking people. That is the reason He makes so many of them."

"I don't think much of a man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday."

OTHER QUOTES

"Always stand on principle...even if you stand alone." *John Adams*

"We should never despair, our situation before has been unpromising and has changed for the better, so I trust, it will again." *George Washington*

"In the time of darkest defeat, victory may be nearest." *William McKinley*

"In every battle there comes a time when both sides consider themselves beaten, then he who continues the attack wins." *Gen. Ulysses S. Grant*

There is indeed strength given us in being quiet before God. Man is so prone to do and to say and to attend to things himself, rather than to allow God to work out things for Him while He patiently and humbly waits before Him. It never pays to act hastily. We can always afford to wait until we truly know the mind of the Lord. *Copied*

"So all things are working for the Lord's beloved;
Some things might be hurtful if alone they stood;
Some might seem to hinder; some might draw us backward;
But they work together, and they work for good,
All the thwarted longings, all the stern denials,
All the contradictions, hard to understand.
And the force that holds them, speeds them and retards them,
Stops and starts and guides them—is our Father's hand."

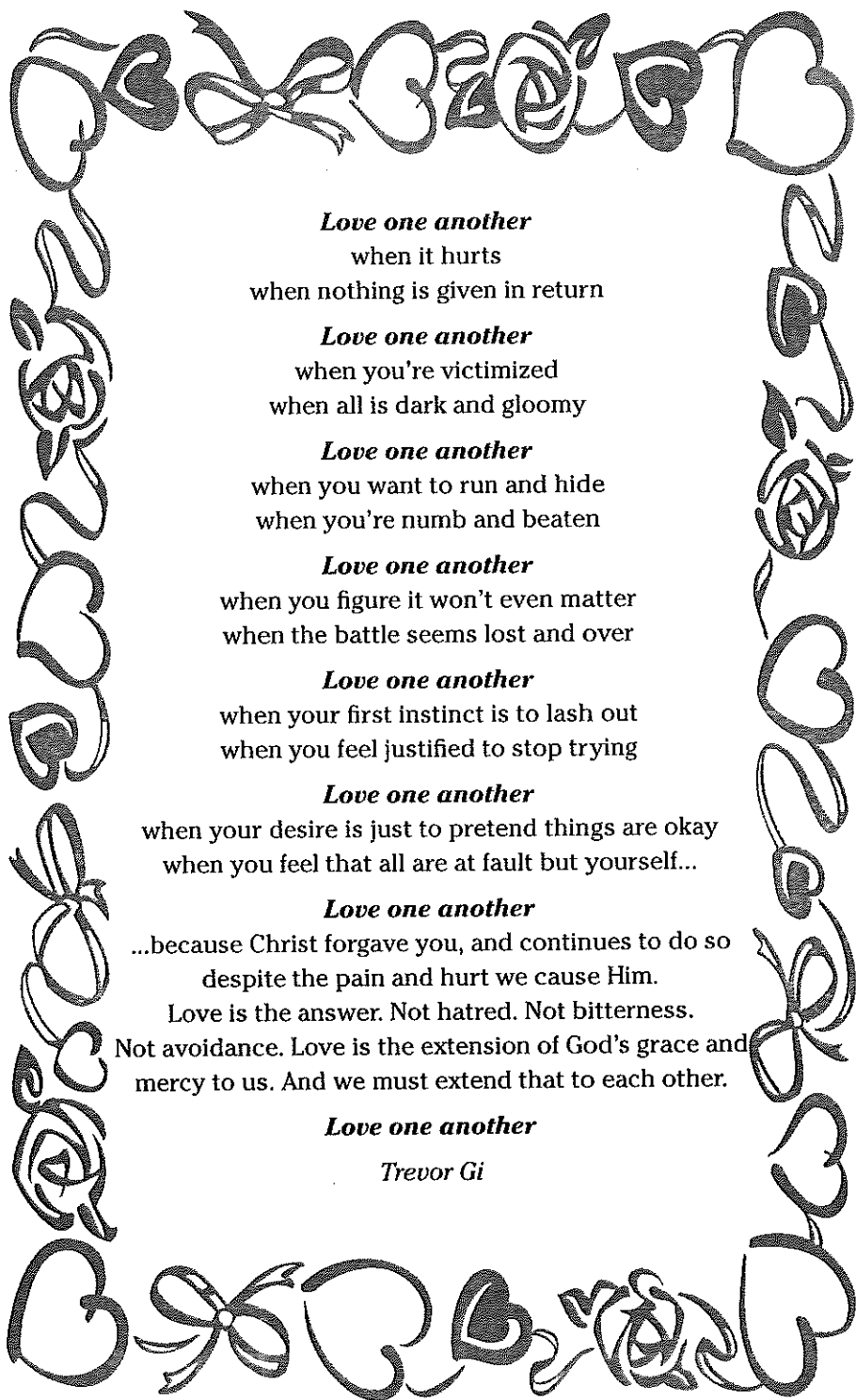
- *Streams In The Desert*



Rise,
Shine,
Come
to
Church



Join
us
for
coffee
and
dessert



Love one another
when it hurts
when nothing is given in return

Love one another
when you're victimized
when all is dark and gloomy

Love one another
when you want to run and hide
when you're numb and beaten

Love one another
when you figure it won't even matter
when the battle seems lost and over

Love one another
when your first instinct is to lash out
when you feel justified to stop trying

Love one another
when your desire is just to pretend things are okay
when you feel that all are at fault but yourself...

Love one another
...because Christ forgave you, and continues to do so
despite the pain and hurt we cause Him.
Love is the answer. Not hatred. Not bitterness.
Not avoidance. Love is the extension of God's grace and
mercy to us. And we must extend that to each other.

Love one another

Trevor Gi

TODAY

I shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have I done today?
I shall give out gold in princely sum,
But what did I give today?
I shall lift the heart and dry the tear,
I shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
I shall speak with words of love and cheer,
But what have I done today?
I shall bring to each lonely life a smile,
But what have I brought today?
I shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth,
I shall feed the hungering souls of earth,
But whom have I fed today?

OUR PART!

God gives to us the tools we need
To fashion each new day,
But we must learn to use them in
A most productive way.
His hands can only guide us,
We must not lean too much
Our feet must do the climbing;
Toward the heights untouched.
God gives to us His wisdom,
But then He sets us free;
To form the pattern of our life,
And mold our destiny.

Selected

I want my life to testify that He can save;
I want to help to make His crimson banner wave;
I want to tell the blessed story ev'ry day;
I want to be a light to others on their way.
I want to live as Jesus lived,
I want to love as Jesus loved,
I want to serve and honor Him and please Him in ev'rything;
I want my life to testify that He's my Lord and king.

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Earth has its treasure of riches untold
 And who can measure the wealth the oceans hold?
 But whether the treasure is under the sea or the up above
 The greatest treasure is the strength of love.

LOVE – THE STIMULUS

A young woman whose child was pinned beneath her car, in her desperation to save the little one's life, raised the car sufficiently to allow him to escape. The load she lifted was far beyond normal human capability. This sudden innovation of supernatural strength occurs often. We are told that a chemical known as adrenaline, which on such occasions is projected into the blood, provides the added strength. But there has to be a stimulus – something to trigger the glands – for this to happen. And this stimulus is what? LOVE, of course! Love unleashes the greatest power under Heaven.

THE FATHER'S LOVE

In one of Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman's meetings a man rose to give the following remarkable testimony. "I got off at the Pennsylvania depot one day as a tramp, and for a year I begged on the streets for a living. One day, I touched a man on the shoulder and said, 'Mister, please give me a dime.' As soon as I saw his face, I recognized my old father. 'Father, don't you know me?' I asked. Throwing his arms around me, he cried, 'I have found you, I have found you; all I have is yours.' People, think of it, that I, a tramp, stood begging my father for ten cents, when for eighteen years he had been looking for me, to give me all he was worth.' Such is the love of the heavenly Father for His sinning children.

Sunday School Chronicle

The purpose of life is not to be happy; it is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Your strength is built from every brick thrown at you. Your abundance is cultivated from every seed you have planted. Your peace is gained from every moment you sit still and embrace your faith. Your clarity is created in every moment you focus on your happiness. You can't wish for more and put in any effort to create it. Be patient with the process that produces what you want. A strong foundation is not built by chance, but by choice.

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WHISPER IT TODAY:

The tender word unspoken
 The letter never sent,
 The long forgotten messages,
 The wealth of love unspent –

For these some hearts are breaking,
 For these some loved ones wait
 So show them that you care for them,
 Before it is too late!



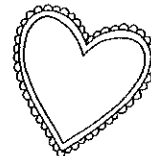
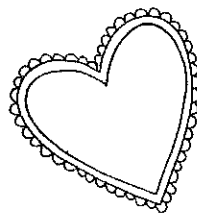
HE FILLETH UP MY CUP!

"When my cup of joy is empty,
 When the trials pressing in
 Rob my soul of peace and blessing
 And there's turmoil deep within...
 When the outlook is distressing,
 Jesus bids me to look up!
 Then I bring my empty vessel
 And He fills my cup!

How I need the oil of gladness!
 Desert places in my heart
 Are revived and sent rejoicing
 With the joy He imparts!
 I have many needed lessons,
 Yet this one I long to learn...
 To keep sweet and glad in Jesus
 While the fires of trial burn!

When my cup of joy is empty
 Jesus bids me to look up!
 When I bring my empty vessel,
 Lo! He filleth up my cup!

George B. Adams





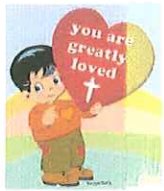







JANUARY 2021 ZION ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!"</p>					<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3 Mission Sunday 9 am Sunday school & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 6:30-8:30 pm Varsity/Adult Volleyball at the Community Center</p>	<p>4 7 pm Young Adults Bible Study</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 5 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Youth Meal & 7 pm Youth Group at Community Center</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
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<p>17 Building Project Sunday 9 am Sunday school & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 6:30-8:30 pm Varsity/Adult Volleyball at the Community Center</p>	<p>18 7 pm Young Adults Bible Study <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i></p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 <i>2 pm Ladies WMF</i> 5 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Youth Meal & 7 pm Youth Group at Community Center</p>		<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 9 am Sunday school & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service Noon – Annual Congregational Meeting – Potluck 6:30-8:30 pm Varsity/Adult Volleyball at the Community Center</p>	<p>25 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 5 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Youth Meal & 7 pm Youth Group at Community Center</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 </p>	<p>30 "A little oil of courtesy will save a lot of friction!"</p>
<p>31 9 am Sunday school & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 6:30-8:30 pm Volleyball</p>						

February

ZION FEBRUARY 2021 ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16</i></p>	1	2	3 	4 "It's hard to give away kindness because it's usually returned to you."	5	6
<p>7 Mission Sunday</p> <p>9 am Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 5:30 pm Super Bowl Party? ~Come and bring a snack to share~ </p>	8 7 pm Young Adults Bible Study	9 7 pm Deacon/Deaconess Mtg. 7:30 pm Trustee Meeting 8:15 pm Council Meeting	10 5 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Youth Meal & 7 pm Youth Group at the Community Center	11 <i>Zion WMF Circles Meet:</i> <i>Circle 1 – 9:30 am</i> <i>Circle 2 – 2 pm</i> <i>Circle 3 – 7 pm</i>	12 	13
<p>14 Happy Valentine's Day! </p> <p>9 am Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 6:30-8:30 pm Varsity/Adult Volleyball at the Community Center</p>	15 7 pm Young Adults Bible Study 	16	17 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 6 pm Soup & Sandwich Meal 7 pm Lenten Service <i><u>(Please watch the bulletin for more details regarding the schedule for Wednesday evenings during Lent.)</u></i>	18	19 	20
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RADIO MINISTRY

If you would like to sponsor a Sunday broadcast or contribute to the radio fund in honor, or memory of a loved one, please contact the church office, thank you! The radio broadcast is \$100 per Sunday.

Our radio broadcast can be heard on Sundays at NOON on AM Radio Station KTGO 1090. You can also watch us online at our website:

zionfreelutheran.com

JANUARY USHERS:

Wayne Grindy

Bill Oxner

Tony Kucera

Joseph Werner

FEBRUARY USHERS:

Mark Schmidt

Richard Nelson

Lester Moe

Kim Keller

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from our Newsletter and you would like to be included, please call the church office

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SATURDAY 9 – 12 NOON

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A 3-CD set is available of Pastor Carr's Sunday Sermons of "A Journey Through the Word". Suggested price \$30, or free-will donation, please call the church office if you are interested.



Happy New Year

Sunday school is for ALL ages! Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.

What we are studying:

Grades Pre-K&K: "Growing in Christ"

Grades 1&2: "Growing in Christ"

Grades 3&4: *Apostles Creed:*

"God the Father/Creator"

Grades 5&6: "Journey Thru the New Testament"

Jr. High: *Everyday Questions:*

"Apologetics and Evangelism"

Sr. High: "The Book of Acts"

Adult/Varsity Class: "The Book of Galatians"



A wonderful time was had by all who attended our Ladies Christmas Tea. Thank you to Karen Pederson who organized and directed the program, "Make My Heart Your Bethlehem". Thank you to those who were involved with the program, and to all who brought an array of amazing treats to share!

This year, our ladies WMF Bible Study theme is: "Guard What Has Been Entrusted To You", written by Jeanette Berntson and based from 1 Timothy 6:20-21, "Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, and in so doing have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you."

Bible Study groups meet the second Thursday of each month, and will be announced in the Sunday bulletin where to meet. Study books are \$12 each, and can be found in the fellowship area. Bible study times are: CIRCLE 1 at 9:30 a.m., CIRCLE 2 at 2 p.m., and CIRCLE 3 at 7 p.m.

We hope you will join us for Bible Study at one of the times that is convenient for you!

