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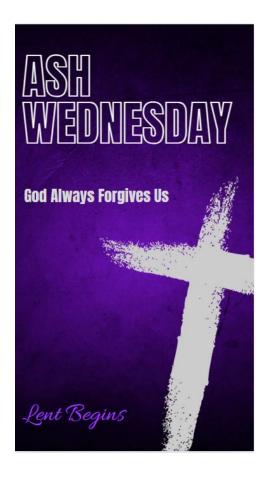
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# **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is a Christian holy day that marks the beginning of Lent, a 40-day period of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving leading up to Easter. Ash Wednesday is always 46 days before Easter, which can fall between March 22 and April 25. Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon following the spring equinox. It's preceded by Shrove Tuesday. Ash Wednesday is a day of prayer and fasting that serves as a reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God. The ashes used in the service come from burnt palm leaves from the previous year's Palm Sunday worship service. The ashes can be used dry or mixed with a neutral oil, such as olive oil. The placement of the ashes is accompanied by the words, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return".

# Message from Pastor Willie:

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? - Isaiah 43:19

Siblings in Christ – it has been an interesting journey serving together in ministry with our Faith Together Muscatine collaboration and I am excited as we try something new for this coming season of Lent!

The season of Lent began with Ash Wednesday on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Each of the four congregations will hold our own Ash Wednesday services. However, for the midweek Lent services, we will come together on Wednesday evenings for worship at Zion Lutheran Church in Muscatine, beginning on March 12th at 5:30 p.m. Our theme for the midweek services in the season of Lent is the days of Holy Week. The pastors will share in worship leadership with junior high students helping with various roles as well. If you would like to help lead worship, please let one of the pastors know and we can find a way for you to be a part of worship leadership.

We will serve a meal at 6:00 p.m. with the four congregations serving in rotation for the midweek meals. Zion will serve on March 12, New Era on March 19, Shepherd of the Cross on March 26, Grace on April 2, and Zion on April 9<sup>th</sup>. A free-will offering will be collected each week.

Following the meal, Family Faith Night will begin at 6:30 p.m. with our normal breakout sessions of lower and upper elementary, junior high, and adult groups.

The season of Lent ends on Maundy Thursday and there are opportunities for worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at Zion, SOTC, and Grace Lutheran Churches. On Holy Saturday, all of the congregations are invited to gather at New Era Lutheran for an Easter Vigil service on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:00 p.m.! We are very excited for New Era to host this service and to offer this service as a new thing that God is up to in ministry in the Muscatine area.

I look forward to seeing you during the season of Lent with our midweek services and having the first combined Easter Vigil service at New Era followed by a time of food and fellowship at New Era.

Thank you so much for serving in ministry together in the Muscatine area! It is a joy and blessing to walk with Zion and all of the congregations in the Faith Together Muscatine ministry collaboration. God is doing a new thing! Can you see it and feel it?

Peace	in	Christ,
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Pastor Willie Rosin

# Message from Pastor Willie:

A note from Pastor Willie's desk -

In recent months I have had an increase in necessary pastoral care visits, meetings, and other unscheduled events that happen.

I have also had more people stopping in the office to talk with me during the day - which is great – we love when folks stop in to see us!

Unfortunately, because of increased ministry outside the church building, I often miss those who want to stop and spend some time visiting.

This trend will likely only get more hectic during the season of Lent.

If you would like to stop in and have coffee or to talk about life or ministry or what's happening in the world around us, please call the church office and check with Denise to see if I am in the office or when I will be in the office.

One of the joys and challenges of serving in ministry is that my schedule is very inconsistent week to week and day to day, which means my availability in the office is also very inconsistent.

The best way to make sure I'll be there when you stop in is to call the church office to check on my availability. If Denise isn't sure, she is excellent at relaying information and requests to me.

Thank you for your ministry and service with Zion Lutheran! Peace, Pastor Willie

# FAITH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY.

# **Birthdays Over 80**

- \* 80-89 Years Young
- \*\* 90-99 Years Young
- \*\*\*100 Years Young

# **March Birthdays**

- \*Mary Danner 03/06
- \*\*\*George Blackwood 3/7
- \*Jerry Timm 03/08
- \*Inge Carle 03/11
- \*\*Wilmer Denker 03/13
- \*Bill Toyne 03/20
- \*\*Irmgard Shoppa 03/25
- \*Rose Marie Doyle 03/29
- \*Beatrice (Pat) Minder 03/30

# **March Birthdays**

Abner Rosin 03/01 Ezra Rosin 03/01 Dave Pusateri 03/4 Chris Owens 03/05 Kent Heckman 03/08 Brady Heiar 03/08 Jami Schroeder 03/09 Hank Harms 03/11 Abigail Frye 03/19 Virgil Schmitt 03/22 Jason Dornbush 03/24

# **Lunch Bunch**

Julie Evans 03/26 Gail Pusateri 03/27

**Mar. 13 11;30** @ Applebees **Apr. 10 11:30** @ Yacky Shack

# **Contact News**

Newsletter information and articles for the next Contact are due by **April 5** 

# Upcoming Meetings: Group 5 Mar. 18 1:00 MFR

Apr. 15 1:00 MFR

# **Tithe**

Total Offering Received For Week 3/2/25	\$6585
YTD Offering Received	\$39789
Remaining Weekly Offering Required to meet Weekly Budget	\$ 4102

YTD MCSA	YTD Laundry Love	YTD Quarters for Hunger
\$160	\$\$155	212.90
SHP	Synod Ben/Outreach	Youth
\$255	\$293.5	\$183.25



**OFFICE HOURS MARCH 11, 8-1** 

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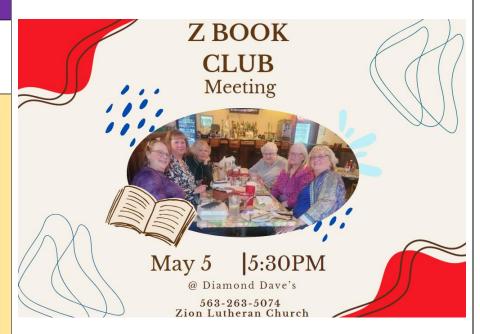
# **April Birthdays**

- \*Loryann Eis 04/03
- \*Riley Padgett 04/03
- \*Kathy Meyer 04/07
- \*Jean Hyink 04/22
- \*Helen Colony 04/26
- \*Dorothy Thompson 04/28

# **April Birthdays**

Kelsie Dornbush 04/01 Josephine Gillespie 04/03 Isabelle Rosin 04/07 Sarah Perisho 04/08 Kathy Rusch 04/08 Mike Owens 04/09 Jacob Evans 04/11 Mary Schroeder 04/12 Ron Knause 04/14 Maura Garrett 04/15 Dee Miller 04/17 Rick Weiss 04/17 Vicki Pedersen 04/20 Avery Zybarth 04/22 Jane Keel 04/23 Braedan Garrett 04/25 James Haage 04/25 Lori Andersen 04/28 Richard Jacobsen 04/28 Quinn Garrett 04/30

Joy Circle. Mar. 27 6:30 p.m. Apr. 24 6:30 p.m.



# When the World Tips Over Kindle Edition by <u>Jandy Nelson</u> (Author)

Vears ago, the Fall kids' father mysteriously disappeared, cracking the family into pieces. Now Dizzy Fall, age twelve, bakes cakes, sees spirits, and wishes she were a heroine of a romance novel. Miles Fall, seventeen, brainiac, athlete, and dog-whisperer, is a raving beauty, but also lost, and desperate to meet the kind of guy he dreams of. And Wynton Fall, nineteen, who raises the temperature of a room just by entering it, is a virtuoso violinist set on a crash course for fame . . . or self-destruction.

Then an enigmatic rainbow-haired girl shows up, tipping the Falls' world over. She might be an angel. Or a saint. Or an ordinary girl. Somehow, she is vital to each of them. But before anyone can figure out who she is, catastrophe strikes, leaving the Falls more broken than ever. And more desperate to be whole.

With road trips, rivalries, family curses, love stories within love stories within love stories, and sorrows and joys passed from generation to generation, this is the intricate, luminous tale of a family's complicated past and present. And only in telling their stories can they hope to rewrite their futures.



PETER FINDS HIS FAITH TO BE MUCH STRONGER IN THE WINTER FAITH. FAMILY. COMMUNITY.

# **March Anniversaries**

\*\*Larry & Reita Driskell 3/2 Sarah & Brandon Stalkfleet 3/5/2017

Michelle & Scott Richardson 3/23

Zachary & Jennifer Taylor 3/27

# **April Anniversaries**

\*Julie & Mark Evans 4/2

Greg & Kelly Gillespie 4/4

\*David & Peggy Starkweather 4/19

\* 25+

\*\*50+

# **Usher Schedule** March

Bill Toyne Mike Watson Mark Perisho Sarah Perisho

# **April**

Richard Jacobsen Rosendo Ramos Mike Carter Julie Frye

# **Altar Guild:**

Week 1: Richardsons Week 2: Perishos Week 3: Pusateris

Week 4: Starkweathers

Sub: Hansons

# We have a new printer!!

OLD NEW





# Midweek Lent 2025 Walking through Holy Week

Overall Schedule: 5:30 Worship 6:00 Meal (Freewill offering) 6:30 Family Faith Nights

Each Wednesday during Lent we'll focus on one of the days of Holy Week through the lens of an Old Testament passage. Want more specifics? See below for a brief theme and Scripture synopsis along with a reminder of who's serving each week!

### March 12: Palm Sunday - Triumphal Entries

Scripture - 2 Samuel 6:1-2, 5, 12c -15, 17-19

We're entering Jerusalem, the capital city of Israel, where the temple and the king reside! It's a celebration-but is that all it is? Come to Lenten worship and find out!

### March 19: Maundy Thursday - Passover from Death to Life

Scripture - Exodus 12:21-32 Before God delivered the Israelites from captivity in Egypt, the people experienced several plagues. During the last plague, however, the Israelite people were spared, or, protected. Focusing on the story of the Passover, we'll connect how the blood of our Lamb, Christ, also protects us

# March 26: Good Friday - Sacrifice When It Doesn't Make Sense

Foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice, God tested Abraham's faith by demanding he sacrifice his one and only son. Abraham trusts God, even when the request didn't make any sense. When has trusting God been difficult for you?

### April 2: Easter Vigil - Waiting for Restoration

Scripture - Jeremiah 30:1-9 On this holy day we wait in between death and life, trusting that God will restore us as God has promised. Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil remind us that God works miracles in the dark, bringing

### April 9, 2025: Easter Sunday - Freedom!

Meal Server: Zion

Scripture - Exodus 15:1-18 We are free

new life and wholeness.



ANOTHER ESKIMO BAPTISM GONE BAD

# FAITH. FAMILY. COMMUNITY.

# **Reminders:**

Men's Bible Study meets every Wednesday morning at 6:30 a.m. at the All American Diner.

# **Christians Underground**

We have an additional Bible study/discussion group opportunity in Muscatine called Christians Underground. Pastor Aleese Kenitzer from Shepherd of the Cross leads this group in discussion about the Revised Common Lectionary texts for the upcoming Sunday. They currently meet weekly on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. at Zion Lutheran church for about an hour. This invitation is open to all four ELCA congregations in Muscatine.

Re:Storied is a course intended to introduce participants to the whole of the Biblical narrative while also providing opportunities to tangibly practice dwelling in God's Word.

Participants will be encouraged to engage in Bible readings and reflections outside our group time. To share reflections and dive deeper, participants may participate in an optional 30 minute time from 6:00 - 6:30.

# **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Please Pray for Kristy Keith, Butch Doyle, Billy Rueckert. Margaret Ames, Linda Brade, Evie Marr, Ralph Buster, Beth Simpson, Karolyn Subbert.

Condolences go to the family & friends of Patricia Lange, Carolyn Peters, Barbara Sabbath, & David Roby.



# Holy Week 2025 Faith Together Muscatine

Holy Week begins a sacred week as we journey from Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to the empty tomb on Easter morning. Join in community as we reflect, remember, and celebrate the new of Christ crucified and risen

### Palm Sunday Worship (April 13)

Grace, Shepherd of the Cross, Zion | 9:00 am

New Era | 11:00 am

Grace, Shepherd of the Cross, New Era, and Zion Lutheran will all gather on Palm Sunday morning with a procession of palms.

### Maundy Thursday (April 17) and Good Friday (April 18) Worship

Zion | 5:30 pm

Grace | 6:00 pm

Shepherd of the Cross | 7:00 pm

Gather with Christ as he washes his disciples feet, shares his last supper, and journeys to the

### Easter Vigil Worship Service and Meal (April 19)

New Era | 4:00 Worship, 5:30 Meal

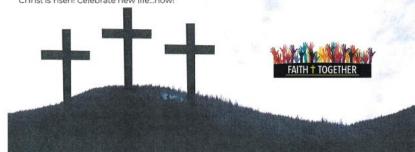
Easter Vigil moves us from the darkness of Good Friday into the joy and celebration of Easter. After celebrating the news of Christ's resurrection, we'll feast in joy with a meal.

# Easter Sunday Worship (April 20)

Grace, Shepherd of the Cross, Zion | 9:00 am

New Era | 11:00 am

Christ is risen! Celebrate new life, now!



# Yard signs available for sale \$6



# **LSI Article and Story**



LSI serves Iowans of all ages; families with newborns navigating parenthood, refugee and immigrant elders, and children of all ages. One of the most crucial populations LSI serves is children in middle and high school. April Howe of LSI shares the impact of LSI programming that she sees in schools across Iowa.

"I love it when a whole classroom of middle schoolers run down the auditorium hallway for an LSI class shouting 'April!' with excitement, ready to learn about healthy relationship skills and self-esteem," said April Howe, a Program Supervisor for LSI's Clinical Services team.

Our LSI Clinical Services team provides various local community programs in schools across Iowa. Whether it's mental health therapy or programs providing teen pregnancy education, they all share the goal of wrapping care around adolescents at a local level.

Specifically, April and her team conduct two community programs in nine northwest Iowa counties: Community Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (CAPP) and Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP).

CAPP supports and educates Iowa youth by providing sexual health and pregnancy prevention classes for healthy and successful relationships. PREP helps youth build social, emotional, and life skills to develop a positive sense of self and to connect with peers in their community. PREP utilizes the Teen Outreach Program and Wise Guys evidence-based curriculum.

"Thank you for teaching our class and taking time out of your day to come to our school. I learned a lot about healthy relationships and how to handle my anger and other emotions. You opened my eyes to my family's habits and what I want to take with me when I have a family of my own."

– High school student to LSI staff member

"The letters that high school students write to our staff about what they learned in class and how they will use the knowledge in their everyday life shows the programs' tremendous impact," said April. "We meet the youth where they are at, but also encourage healthy decision-making along the way, which plays a huge role in making prevention education successful."

Furthermore, April's team encourages conversation and participation by providing incentives in the classroom, such as packaged snacks and other LSI materials. "When it comes to engagement in the classroom, I always say, 'When their stomachs are full, their brains are full," shared April with a smile. "Some students would skip school all day, but they show up to the last class of the day, taught by LSI. That, right there, is a win for my team."

April's team has seen significant success in response to their CAPP and PREP community programs. Based on a post-program evaluation, 96% of students in the CAPP program reported that they learned "some" or "a lot" that they didn't already know about sexual health topics, and 53% agreed that they are now more likely to start conversations about these topics with others.

"Pregnancy rates have dropped over the last four years in many of our counties served, proving our services are making a difference in our communities," said April. "Reaching the youth on their level and prioritizing prevention makes our program successful."

For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at <u>Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org</u> or 563-676-2065.

LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and <a href="mailto:facebook.com/LSI.iowa">facebook.com/LSI.iowa</a>.

# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church BUDGET TO ACTUAL - Unified Fund

Month Ended February 28, 2025

	Feb	General Fund 28, 2025 Actual	Feb	General Fund 28, 2025 Budget	% of Budget	2	neral Fund months ended b 28, 2025 Actual	1: De	eneral Fund 2 months ended ec 31, 2025 Budget	% of Annual Budget
Revenue										
Offering	\$	14,758	\$	19,167	77%	\$	33,273	\$	237,501	14%
Other Budgeted Income		220		500	44%		1,659		6,400	26%
Parsonage Fund Income	_		_			_		_	25,000	<u>0</u> %
Total Revenue		14,978		19,667	76%		34,931		268,901	13%
Operating Expenses										
Staffing Expenses		15,915		17,615	90%		32,548		211,853	15%
Property & Office Expenses		7,357		4,996	147%		12,252		59,950	20%
Program Expenses		508		617	82%		678		7,800	9%
Budgeted Benevolence Expenses	_	1,453	_	2,025	<u>72</u> %	_	3,237	_	24,298	<u>13</u> %
Total Operating Expenses	_	25,232	_	25,252	100%	_	48,715	_	303,901	<u>16</u> %
Operating Income (Loss)		(10,254)		(5,585)	184%		(13,784)		(35,000)	39%
Other Income										
Unbudgeted Income	_	400	_	-		_	400	_		
New Era	_	-		-			265			
Total Other Income		400		-			665		-	
Other Expenses										
Total Other Expenses	_	23	_	-		_	48	_		
Net Income (Loss)	\$	(9,877)	\$	(5,585)	177%	\$	(13,167)	\$	(35,000)	38%
Fund Balances	Feb	As of 28, 2025								
Unified Fund	\$	139,838								
Building Fund		90,931								
Memorial Fund		29,135								
Fellowship Hall Fund		3,996								
Youth Fund		7,394								
Designated Benevolences		-								
Quilters Fund		3,140								
Innovative Ministries Fund		191,881								
Flower Fund		823								
Pastor's Discretionary Fund		400								
Total Fund Balances	\$	467,538								



# FIT TOGETHER "HAND IN HAND" LEARNING ABOUT & SUPPORTING MCSA

WHAT DOES THAT COMBINATION OF LETTERS STAND FOR?

MUSCATINE CENTER FOR SOCIAL ACTION

TYPE THAT PHRASE INTO YOUR BROWSER ON WHATEVER ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE YOU PREFER. THAT OPENS THE "MCSA WEBSITE."

MOVE OVER TO YOUR RIGHT. STOP AT "SUPPORT THE MISSION"



SCROLL DOWN TO "NEEDS".

THERE IS THE LIST
OF ACTUAL ITEMS TO BE
PUT IN OUR BIG SHOPPING
CARTS BY THE CHURCH OFFICE.



YOUR SOCIAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS DELIVER THOSE ITEMS TO MCSA AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.

MOVE DOWN ONE GREEN BOX. STOP THERE AT "VOLUNTEER", FILL OUT AND SUBMIT THEIR FORM TO BE CONSIDERED AS A VOLUNTEER.



CONTINUE EXPLORING THE MCSA WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE AND MORE ABOUT THEIR CURRENT EFFORTS TO FULFILL THEIR MISSION. ZION FOLKS CONTRIBUTE CASH, THINGS GIVEN DIRECTLY TO CLIENTS AND VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES.

PUT SMALL PERSONAL CARE ONE-TIME USE ITEMS IN THE WHITE PLASTIC BASKET AROUND THE CORNER FROM THE ZION CHURCH OFFICE UNDER THE MAIL BOXES.

EMILY HARVEY, MCSA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,

RECENTLY TOLD THE ZION SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE "WE REALLY GO THROUGH LOTS OF THOSE ITEMS!



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2025 Le	nten Cal	endar	5 – Ash Wednesday Remember that you are dust, and	6 Pray for	7 Fast from meat	Pray for those that are
		<b>T</b>	to dust you shall	the poor	rast from meat	alone
Sunday '	Monday 10	Tuesday 11	return 12	13	14	15
What are you most grateful for?	Pray for those who are in power	Pray for the sick	Pray for healthcare workers	Pray for those that work for justice	Fast from sugar	Pray for your congregation
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Pray for those who have died in the past year	Think about how the holy spirit manifests in your life	Fast from screens (no TV, no phone, etc.)	Pray for someone close to you that needs healing	Pray for those struggling with addiction	Be gluten, nut, and shellfish free today Pray for those with severe allergies	Pray for clean water
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Get up early and spend 15 minutes in prayer and silence	Pray for those in prison	Pray for help and the willingness to receive it	Pray for the children of your congregation	Pray for peace among nations and unity	Fast from breakfast and lunch	Pray for forgiveness
30	31	April 1	2	3	4	5
Think about a part of today's service that made your heart swell	Pray for soup kitchens and those that serve the poor	Pray for the youth of your congregation	Pray for the young adults of the congregation	Pray for your minister and the ministers of your congregation	Fast from gossip	Pray for your ancestors
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
What does it mean for Jesus to be "the King?"	Notice yourself being in judgment of others and stop	Fast from news Enjoy the silence	Pray for new members of your congregation	Contemplate what it means for you to be content. What is stopping you?	Fast from political debate	Pray on the thought "how can I help?"
13 – Palm Sunday	14	15	16	17 – Maundy Thurs	18 – Good Friday	19 Holy Saturday
Apologize to someone you have hurt	Pay attention to someone you are tempted to brush	Pray for the person who brought you into	Pray for the staff of your congregation	Pray for the choir and those who serve in your	Fast	Think of Mary after Jesus' death
Make amends	aside	your faith		parish service		