News From Zion

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Announcements

Partnering in the Gospel Study July 10, 17, and 24 we will study Partnering in the Gospel in the Sunday morning basement Bible class. Please bring your binder along if you have one. Thank you. Pleas join us.

Church Golf Outing Everyone is welcome to join us at Wander Springs for 9 holes of golf each Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Tee times are under Charles Edinger's name.

Men's Study will meet on July 11 and 25 for time in the Word. Meet us in the church basement or at the fire pit as we grow in the Word.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 12-14, 9:00-11:00 a.m. Find the link to register on our Facebook event, <u>mzluth.org</u>, or call the school office (summer hours will vary).

Sunday Book Study will not meet July 10. Watch the announcements to see when we will meet again as Pastor Ott recovers from surgery.

Leadership Team/ Barnabas Ministry will meet on Tuesday, July 19. Barnabas will be at 6:00 p.m. in the commons. Leadership Team will be at 7:00 p.m.

Installation of the Geidels will be in late worship next Sunday, July 17. Join us for worship and welcome them with refreshments after worship!

Last Week we had 166 worship in person and 31 online. That is 26% of our membership. Please encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ to stay close to Jesus through faithful use of Word and sacraments!

Partnering in the Gospel seminar is July 23, 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. We want every member (new and old) go through this seminar! We will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month. We will also have this study in the church basement Sunday at 9:15 a.m. on July 10, 17, and 24. Join us!

Bible Reading Plan Join us in an online reading plan. July 6-12; You'll be okay: July 13-17; God's Imperfect People: July 18-22; Lessons from

2Chronicles: July2-30. Go to mzluth.org or our Facebook page to join.

Food Pantry Donations may be placed in the grocery cart in the kitchen in the church basement.

Soup For Souls Meals and cards are available in the freezers at church and at school. Please share the love of Christ in a tangible way by taking a meal and card to a friend, neighbor, or coworker to brighten their day!

Outdoor Worship We will worship outdoors (weather permitting) at both services on Sunday, July 24 and Sunday, August 28. Join us and bring a friend!

The Geidels are looking for a refrigerator for the garage and a freezer for their basement. If anyone has one of these items available, please let them know. Jacob 262-353-2859 or Hillary 262-689-3492.

Cleaning of Church: At the present time we do not have anyone for the cleaning position at church. If you would have approx. 6 hours available anytime during the week and may be willing to assist please contact Randy Loppnow at (920)864-7584,

Maintenance Committee is looking for help to paint some of the classrooms on July 19th from 4 PM to 9 PM. If you are able to help anytime during these hours it would be appreciated. Painting supplies will be furnished.

Youth Group Bonfire is Saturday, August 6 at the Stein home, 6:00-9:00 p.m. There will be yard games, food and a Bible study.

Pastor Ott had surgery on Wednesday, June 29. If you need pastoral care or have questions about our ministry, please contact Pastor Enderle the first two week of July as Pastor Ott recovers. Thank you!

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Weekly Calendar

9:15 a.m. Partnering in the Gospel Study 7:00 p.m. Pent. 6 Worship Sun. Tues. 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School Sun. 8:00 a.m. Pent. 6 Worship

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Thurs. 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 166 (34, 71, 61) Online: 31 Bible Class: 15

WELS 2021 Statistics Now Available

WELS News

The complete 2021 Statistical Report as well as the 2021 Statistical es of information. WELS Congrega-Summary are now available at welscongregationalservices.net/ stats.

"Statistics are one of the tools believers use as they seek to steward God's blessings wisely," says Rev. Jonathan Hein, coordinator of WELS Congregational Services. Hein explains that each year, WELS congregations track certain statistics membership totals, attendance figures, ministrations, offerings, types of gains and losses, etc. That information can help churches with their ministry planning. WELS compiles all that congregational information in its annual statistical report, which aids WELS' leaders as they plan the synod's collective ministry. The complete statistical report is hundreds of pagtional Services annually produces a briefer statistical summary report. This year's summary is 19 pages long and contains information such as:

- The reported total WELS membership at the end of 2021 was 340.511.
- From 2020 to 2021, total WELS membership decreased by 1.1 percent (down 3,733 souls). That is the smallest loss WELS has experienced in the past six years.
- Currently 20 percent of WELS members fall into the category of "youths"-those newborn through 8th grade.
- Congregation Mission Offerings

for 2021 increased by 4 percent from the previous year.

"The statistical summary gives us reasons to praise the Lord of the church," says Hein. "It also identifies challenges that deserve prayer and planning."

Hein concludes, "The apostle Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians, 'You do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed' (1:7). God has richly blessed our congregations and our synod with every type of resource we need to proclaim his gospel. May the Spirit give us the faith and the wisdom to steward those resources well."

For more details, visit welscongregationalservices.net/stats.

News from our High Schools

MLHS The federation called Pastor Nate Scharf to teach in the theology department. He currently serves at St. Paul's in New Ulm.

MLHS Lancer Classic Koin us on Monday, July 25 for the Lancer Golf Classic! Sign up today at

www.mlhslancers.org/golf2022.

MLHS building project continues to move forward with plans to break ground this summer. The donors of the \$600,000 match have agreed to extend the match! What a blessing! www.mlhslancers.org/donate

MLHS's International Program Interested in becoming a Host Family or learning more about the International Student Program at MLHS? If so, contact Nathan King at (920) 682-0215 x 420

ornking@mlhslancers.org.

FVL's International Program needs host families. Students stay for 9 months and pay their own expenses. Families receive a stipend to offset costs. Contact (muhlenbrauck@fvlhs.org).

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