# GRACELINES

## Zion Lutheran Church

November 2026

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**Worship 9:00am In-Person & Live-streamed on YouTube Posted to Facebook after Worship.**

**Church Office Hours:**
**Mon - Fri 9:00am - 1:00pm**

**Contact Zion:**
**Church Office: 235-7045**

**Please leave a message and we'll get back to you.**

**Email Address:**

**Church Office:**
**office.zionluthwaterloo@gmail.com**

**Web Page:**

**www.zionluthwaterloo.com**

**Facebook Page:**

**https://www.facebook.com/zionluthwaterloo**

**YouTube:**

**https://www.youtube.com/@zionlutheranchurchwaterloo5011**

**Zion Lutheran Church**
**810 Kimball Ave**
**Waterloo, IA 50702**

"Welcoming All. Growing in Faith. Serving with Love."

## "The Everlasting Gift of Grace

Thank You, Lord, for grace so sweet,
For love so pure, for mercy complete.
Your faithfulness is ever sure,
Your love for us will always endure.

Through every trial, through every storm,
Your presence keeps our hearts warm.
We thank You, Lord, for Your embrace,
For Your love, for Your grace.

Your faithfulness has brought us through,
Each day, each trial, we trust in You.
Thank You, Lord, for all You give,
For in Your love, we choose to live.

Philippians 4:6 - Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation, by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Mary Nicholas

# Study

**November 1**
Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 34:1-10, 22
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

**November 8**
Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

**November 15**
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
Psalm 90:1-8, [9-11], 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

**November 22**
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 95:1-7a
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46

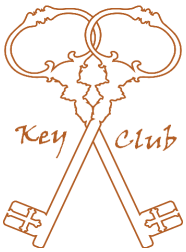
**November 29**
Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

# Pray

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Mitten Tree is up in the Coffee Area and ready for children's mittens, gloves and hats. We will distribute these to Lowell School in Waterloo during the winter months for the kids.




Diana Hawker has submitted a note indicating her need to resign as chair of the Key Club. Diana deserves our deep appreciation for her leadership in organizing Key Club activities. We thank you Diana!

As a result, there is a need to fill this leadership position with one or a small group of folks that would like to maintain the Key Club initiatives and activities. Key Club has become an important opportunity for folks to get together, deepen relationships, participate in activities and learn about history and events in our community.

If you are interested, please call the church office. If you and/or a few others would like to take it on, please express that interest soon.

On Sunday, November 1st, 2026, we will observe **All-Saints' Sunday** by lighting candles for the following Zion members who have died in the past year:

Jan Fisher, Dennis Sommer, Glee Kidder, Mary Odekirk, Ali Trost, Robert Elgas, Carol Barneson, Susan Meier, Norma Ottesen




*May all the faithful departed,*
*by the mercy of God, rest in peace.*




**All Saints Sunday**

Please join us on Sunday, November 1, 2026, during worship as we remember our Zion members who passed away during the last year, and your loved ones as well.

Following the worship service we will have a Pancake Breakfast for all Zion members to gather and meet for fellowship. Please plan to attend.

# Celebrating our Church Community

## November Birthdays

| | |
|---|---|
| 3 | David Byvank |
| 5 | Colin Lesyshen |
| 6 | Larry Baumann |
| 9 | Kathy Elgas |
| 11 | Bonnie Guetzlaff |
| 12 | Diane Solberg |
| 16 | Ethan Akin |
| 17 | Mike Simbric |
| | Julie Zell |
| 19 | Jessica Kindschi |
| 21 | Larry Martin |
| 23 | Meladee Rokusek |
| 24 | Korbin Drape |
| 26 | Jody Rasmussen |
| | Isabel Davis |
| 28 | Lourdes DeMaris |
| | John Solberg |
| 30 | Rachele Kindschi |

## Wedding Anniversaries this Month

| | |
|---|---|
| 5 | Jim and Darlene Robbins |
| 16 | Mike and Julie Simbric |
| 22 | Jeff and Pam Kutz |
| 25 | Keith and Ann Whittemore |
| 26 | Francis and Sandy Meyer |
| 29 | John and Diane Solberg |




**Happy 60th Anniversary**
**to Francis & Sandy Meyer!!**

Your Zion family wishes you a Happy Anniversary on November 26th. If you'd like to send them a card, their address is:
5300 S. Main St., Apt. #9,
Cedar Falls, IA 50613.




**The Adopt-A-Family**

COMING SOON!
Pick a tag(s) on the Christmas Tree in the Coffee Area. Please print your name on the correct family page so we know who took that tag.

Please return your wrapped gift and place in the Fireside Room in the correct Family box.

Thank you for your support!

**Happy 71st Anniversary**
**to Jim & Dar Robbins!!**

Your Zion family wishes you a Happy Anniversary on November 5th. If you'd like to send them a card, their address is:
3382 Mt. Vernon Dr.,
Waterloo, IA 50701.







Veteran's Sunday will be on Sunday, November 8. If you were in the Military, Army, Navy, etc. and you would like to submit your name and/or picture to Jen, please do so by Mon., Nov. 2 or Tues., Nov. 3rd at the latest by 12pm. She will insert them into the PowerPoint like last year.

# Being the Church

Our Mission Ministry is:

**Lumicent (formerly The Job Foundation)**

Lumicent is a financial literacy & asset building program for students living in low-income households in the Waterloo School District (K-12). Our mission is to equip them with the knowledge, tools, and assets to become financially independent adults.

**Donations Needed:**

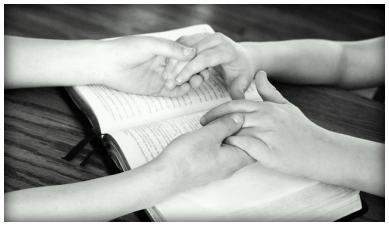
Purses, Snacks, Hair Products, Games, Cards, etc.

(Students will be able to "purchase" during supervised shopping trips)

Thank you for your support & donations.

**You are important to our church family!**

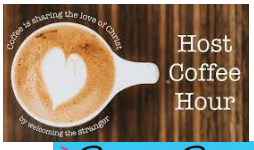
If you need prayer, or have suffered a family loss, please contact the church office at (319) 235-7045. All requests will be treated with confidentiality, and information will be forwarded appropriately.



The PRAYER TREE contacts are:

Sheila Gardiner - gardinergarry28@gmail.com (319) 291-8404,
Deb Grimson - hrgbear@mchsi.com (319) 269-6153,
Kathy Jones - kltjones57@gmail.com (319) 231-4278,
and Jen Wedeking (church office) - (319) 235-7045
office.zionluthwaterloo@gmail.com.

Volunteer to host Coffee or bring Snacks/Treats for Fellowship following Worship on Sundays. You can find the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Area on the bulletin board.







Please call the office, if you have any questions.

Northeast Iowa FOOD BANK
MEMBER OF FEEDING AMERICA

Please place items in the SHOPPING CART by the Mission Cross in the sanctuary.

We will be collecting for the NEIA Food Bank for the month of:




**November**

**Baking Products**

**(Flour, Sugar, Spices, Choc Chips, etc.)**

## Zion Book Club

Next meeting November 18th @ 9:30am.

All are welcome!




Upcoming Dates & Books:

November 18th - "The House of Lincoln" by Nancy Horan

December 16th - NO Book Club

January 20th - "Raising Hare" by Chloe Dalton

**Brown Baggers - Wednesdays at Noon**

Bring your own lunch or snack (if you want) and join us for an hour or so of conversation and study of the scripture readings for the coming Sunday. Discussions are held in the Fireside Room.




**Caffeinated Conversations**

Every Thursday morning from 9-11am Fat Cup Coffee (37 Fletcher Ave.). This is a time of open discussion about the church, faith, life, whatever you want.



# Being the Church



Thank You to Mike Grimson,
Dave Hook, and
Dave & Vickie Hamilton that
helped with the Outside
Clean-Up last week.




Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!
To all who participated and supported our Trunk-or-Treat! It was a success. We treated upwards of 300 kiddos and their parents. We had the opportunity to interact with so many.







Youth Sunday School meets at 10:00am, following the Worship Service. The kids will meet in the Lower Fellowship Hall in the basement.







The Youth Sunday School children would like to thank Tim Wedeking for giving them little white & orange mini pumpkins. The children had fun decorating their homes with them. Tim is Ashton Wedeking's grandfather.

Reminder to set your clocks back on Sunday, November 1.




The office will be Closed
on Thursday, November 26th
and Friday, November 27th.




ADVENT BEGINS
**SUNDAY, November 29th!**
Join us for our Sunday Advent Worships at 9:00am.



# Supporting the Church

**FINANCIAL UPDATE** (as of October30, 2026)

| TOTAL OFFERING TO GENERAL FUND | MISSION PLAN YEAR-TO-DATE $104,750.00 | ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE $112,151.00 |
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| Total General Fund Expenses | Mission Plan Year-to-Date $112,233.00 | Actual Year-to-Date $98,327.00 |

## Support the Church

You may provide financial support to Zion:

- **In-person Giving**
- **By Mail**
- **Online: - Tithe.ly OR - VANCO**

## Offering Contributions for October

**October 4**
**Total General Fund: $1,907.00**

**October 11**
**Total General Fund: $5,999.50**

**October 18**
**Total General Fund: $4,221.19**

**October 25**
**Total General Fund: $1,616.00**

**TOTAL OF ALL GIVING: $13,743.69**

Council Minutes and complete Treasurer reports

are available on the bulletin board in the Coffee Area

and in the Church Office upon request.

## Serving in November

| Sundays | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ALTAR GUILD | Roberta Madland | | | | |
| VAN DRIVERS | Mike Grimson | Janet Keister | Dave Hamilton | Mike Simbric | Tim Davis |
| Lectors | Eleanor Meyerhoff | Mary Nicholas | Joann Mackin | Sharon Droste | Sherry Crowley |