

# Burlington Zion Express

October 2017

## From The Pastor's Desk

### -Earning Heaven-

JESUS LOVES  
ME THIS I KNOW!  
FOR THE Bible  
TELLS ME SO.

Americans are especially hard-working people. We build great things: empires, businesses, churches, fortunes. And sometimes we forget, and let that attitude of hard-work to earn our own way slip past the church doors, and into our faith.

The Psalmist knew: we are God's children even before we were born. While God was forming us in our mothers' wombs, we were already God's children. What we did or failed to do after that

did not change that simple fact. We are, and always have been, God's children. All that was left for us to do is to recognize who we are, and turn our faces toward home.

Karl Barth was certainly one of the most prominent theologians and Biblical scholars of his day. He spent a lifetime studying, writing, and explaining the intricacies of the Incarnation of God in Jesus Christ. He wrote a library full of books, using words and concepts that cause the best scholars to struggle, and threaten to cause the brain of one Tennessee seminary student to implode.

All those words; all that study, all those unimaginably complex theological concepts; Karl Barth was at the pinnacle of honor for theological wisdom. Near the end of his life, a reporter asked him if he could sum up all the volumes of books he had written. Could he condense all those high thoughts into one sentence?

Barth answered, "Jesus loves me, this I know; for the Bible tells me so."

And Jesus also loves you.

Grace And Peace, Brice

# BZ Express – October 2017



## Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

World Communion Sunday  
Neighbors In Need Mission Offering  
Rev. Rich Pleva, Conference Minister  
Sermon: "The Importance of the Invisible"  
Scripture: Philippians 1:3-11

## Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

Sermon: "Cornerstone Or Stumbling Block?"  
Scripture: Matthew 21:33-46

## Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

Sermon: "Practice These Things"  
Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9

## Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sermon: "Your Brand"  
Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

## Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of –  
Martin Luther's Reformation  
Sermon: "Did We In Our Own Strength Confide"  
Scripture: Matthew 22:34-46

**A Special Thank You  
For Being A Part Of  
The Praise & Worship Team!**

## Worship Helpers

### Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

Communion: Bob Parmeter &  
Jim Ritters  
Greeters: DiAnne Lerud-Chubb  
Bill Daws; Chris Cowles  
& Mike Collentine  
Reader: Connie Krieger  
Tower Bell: Will Neises  
Valet: Rich Goble  
Audio/Visual: Rodney Botts  
Closers: Kathy M. & Sandy Deal  
Chancel Arts: Sue Eden

### Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

Greeters: Barb Clem;  
Bonnie Downes;  
Kathy Morrish;  
Joanne Mauer  
Reader: Rodney Botts  
Tower Bell: Jakob W. & Marlis R.  
Valet: Milt Paule  
Audio/Visual: Rodney Botts  
Closers: Kathy M. & Sandy Deal  
Chancel Arts: Paulette Cavanah

### Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

Greeters: Jerry & Carol Goddard;  
Bill & Connie Krieger  
Reader: Lisa Neises  
Tower Bell: Bob Parmeter  
Valet: Tom Ralston  
Audio/Visual: Rodney Botts  
Closers: Kathy M. & Sandy Deal  
Chancel Arts: Paulette Cavanah

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## Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Greeters: George & Velma Johnson;  
Rich & Deb Goble

Reader: Pam Daws

Tower Bell: Abbi Eden

Valet: Bill Daws

Audio/Visual: Rodney Botts

Closers: Kathy M. & Sandy Deal

Chancel Arts: Paulette Cavanah

## Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

Greeters: Craig, Lisa & Will Neises; Bob Parmeter

Reader: Bill Daws

Tower Bell: Milt Paule

Valet: Bill Daws

Audio/Visual: Rodney Botts

Closers: Kathy M. & Sandy Deal

Chancel Arts: Paulette Cavanah

## FOOD PANTRY -5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Month-

### Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>



It has been a tradition here at Zion Church to donate non-perishable items for the food pantry on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

I am happy to report that October is one of those months with five Sundays this year.

**Any, and all items donated to Zion's Food Pantry are greatly appreciated!**

Submitted: Deb Ruble

**Thank You For Your Generosity!**



## CAKE WARS! -Upcoming Church Event-

The First NOIZ Nites of The Year  
Will Be Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup>

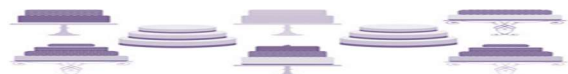
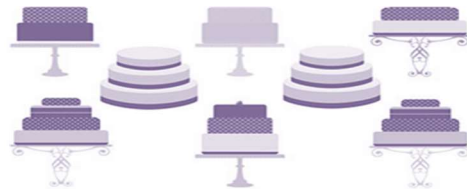
### TWO WORDS: CAKE WARS!!!

Get ready to be creative, competitive, crazy?! Bring a team or we will put you on a team, but begin thinking now about what you could create with cake! Cakes will be provided and many decorating accessories, but you can bring items/props that you would like to use.

We'll begin at 5:30 p.m. with a meal and then activities from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

NOIZ Nites is an all-church event! Bring your family, neighbors, and friends! It will be a fun time!

Submitted: Janice Gibson



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## Our **ELDERS**

### **ZION ELDERS** -Welcome New Members-

The Board of Elders is excited to welcome Sandy Levins, Tom Ralston, and Rod Reeves as new members to their Zion UCC Group.

The Board of Elders is confident that the new members will be a great asset to their Team!

The Elders are also looking forward to hearing the fresh, new, ideas and suggestions that the new members will bring to the table!

The ordination of the new members was conducted on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> during the 10:00 am service!

Submitted: Kristina Quint



**GOD**  
ME YOU THEM  
RELATIONSHIPS  
FRIENDS FAMILY  
PASTORS ELDERS DEACONS  
BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST  
TEACHING PREACHING  
**FAITH BIBLE**  
SALVATION SANCTIFICATION  
PRAISE ADORATION THANKSGIVING  
LOVE JOY PEACE  
**WORSHIP**



## Family Tree Maker<sup>2017</sup>

### **FAMILY HISTORY** -Writing Your Own-

Like Belly Buttons,  
We All Have A Family History!

During the Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, Zion will present a Panel Discussion on "Writing Your Family History" with Carolyn Dorting, Laurie Paule, Deb Walz, and Jerry Goddard.

The panel will discuss different types of family histories and show you how to get started writing your own.

Submitted: Jerry Goddard

## **HOLY & STRATEGIC CONVERSATIONS**

Brice would like to thank the congregation members who attended the Holy & Strategic Conversations after service on September 17<sup>th</sup> and September 24<sup>th</sup>

After worship, the Church had an opportunity to discuss setting priorities, declaring which is of primary importance, dedicating ourselves to full implementation of our priorities, and developing stewardship strategies to ensure that the Mission God has given us will be carried out. Please keep your input coming, as every voice is important!

Submitted: Kristina Quint



## SQUARE DANCING -All Church Event-

### Never Miss A Chance To Dance

On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>,  
Zion Church will be hosting  
a Square Dancing Event  
(with Tom Manning, as the caller)

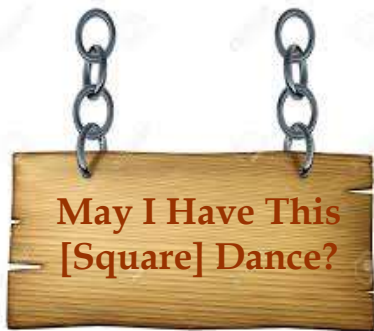
Square Dancing will begin at  
4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.  
Dinner of lasagna will be served afterwards.

**Please bring friends and family!  
The more, the merrier!**



Let's make this  
a fun-filled  
evening at  
the church!  
A sign-up sheet  
is located on the  
Bulletin Board  
in the back of  
the Sanctuary.

Submitted: Pam Daws



## Upcoming CROP Walk - Held On October 15<sup>th</sup> -

**CROP  
HUNGER WALK**  
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

**Walk. Give. Change The World.**

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Burlington  
Area CROP Walk  
To benefit the Neighborhood Center  
Food Pantry and Church World Service.  
will be held Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Walk will begin at 1:30 p.m. at  
Community of Christ Church,  
901 South 12<sup>th</sup> Street.  
Walkers will have options of  
1, 3, or 6-mile routes.

**Each walker should bring a non-perishable  
meat/main dish item that can be given  
to the Neighborhood Center  
Food Pantry the day of the Walk.**

Lyle Gibson will be in the Narthex  
before service on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>  
and Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> recruiting  
walkers and taking donations.

Submitted: Janice Gibson



## FOOD pantry

Because of Your Gracious Contributions, We Provided Food to 71 Families During The Month of September!

Submitted: Deb Ruble

## BRIDGE THE \_\_\_\_\_ GAP

During the month of September, our Bridging the Gap Program assisted several families through our Love Fund Resources!

Because of Your Generous Contributions...

- We assisted 1 person with their rent.
- We assisted 5 people with their water bills.
- We assisted 5 people with their utility bills.
- We assisted 4 people with bus passes.

Submitted: Deb Ruble

## Fellowship Dinner

**FOR MEMBERS &  
-Prospective Members-**

The word around town is that Zion's first Members/Prospective Members Dinner on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> was a success and a lot of fun! The food, the wine and the fellowship was enjoyed thoroughly by those lucky enough to be there!

**It's October Already...  
It's Time To  
Schedule A Second  
Members/Prospective  
Members Dinner!**

All members are encouraged to host one of these dinners. Help make this a regular event to promote the social ministry of our church.

We believe these dinners will promote socializing amongst the church members and reach out to people in the community, who are looking for a loving, open-minded church.

Please contact the Church Office if you are interested in hosting a Dinner. To divide the work, co-hosts should be considered when planning the Dinner.

Submitted: Kristina Quint

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Through  
Joshua's  
Eyes

A foundation for Special needs children in Des Moines County.

## Through Joshua's Eyes -Annual Benefit-

4<sup>th</sup> Annual 5k Glow Run/Walk  
Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>  
-Race Begins At 7:00 P.M.-

This event is a fundraiser benefiting the Through Joshua's Eyes Foundation, an organization to help families with children with special needs in Des Moines County.

The Foundation's Mission Statement:  
To educate, empower, enhance, and support families with children with special needs.

### Course:

The race will begin and end at the large shelter house, going around Crapo Park twice. **Glow wear is encouraged!**  
**Prize for best glowing outfit!**

### Registration Fee:

The registration is \$25.00 and is due by October 1<sup>st</sup> to be guaranteed a t-shirt.

### Check In:

Pick up packet and t-shirt beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the large shelter house in Crapo Park.

### Pre-Race Party:

Includes free games for children, a DJ, and food for a nominal fee.

### Awards:

Medals will be awarded to the top three males and females in each age group.

### Registering:

Via Online At [GetMeRegistered.com](http://GetMeRegistered.com)  
Via Registration Form – Back of Church

### For Additional Information:

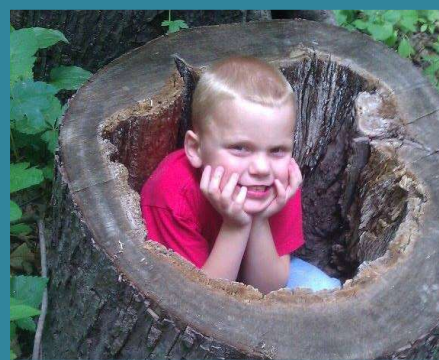
[www.throughjoshuaseyes.com](http://www.throughjoshuaseyes.com)

<https://www.facebook.com/throughjoshuaseyesdesmoinescounty>

Informational Poster is located on the Bulletin Board in the back of Sanctuary.

Contact: Teresa Heitmeier At 319-759-0552

Submitted: Teresa Heitmeier



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## ADULT FORUM -Resumes Soon-

A 4-Week Study of Romans

Sunday Mornings  
8:45 a.m. –9:35 a.m.

### DATES:

November 5<sup>th</sup>  
November 12<sup>th</sup>  
November 19<sup>th</sup>  
December 3<sup>rd</sup>



Paul's letter to the Christians in first century Rome represents a broad explanation of the Christian life addressed to Christians living in the most influential city in the European world. The themes he deals with are particularly relevant in our current situation.

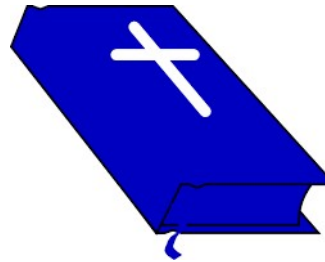
We will study the text itself, assisted by Paul Achtemeier's Book on Romans 1 in the Interpretation series.

**Intended To Be An  
Open Discussion Course,  
We Will Use This General Approach:**

1. God and the Problem of the Past:  
**Grace And Wrath**
2. God and the Problem of the Present:  
**Grace And Law**
3. God and the Problem of the Future:  
**Israel And God's Gracious Plan**

4. God and the Problems of Daily Living:  
**Grace And The Structures of Life**

**Come For One Week,  
Come For All Four Weeks  
-No Reservations Necessary-**



Bring your Bibles and your brains and join us in a lively discussion on this important foundational text for the Church.

Submitted: Pastor Brice

## VOLUNTEERS FOR -Upcoming SUMM Meal-



The October SUMM Meal is scheduled for Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at Grace Methodist Church.

The Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to cook, serve, and wash dishes.

A Sign-Up Sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board in the back of the Sanctuary.

Submitted: Teresa Heitmeier







**The Zion's House Was  
Located At  
1716 South Central.**

**The Owner, Nona Brunken  
Is Very Happy With Her  
Home's Makeover And  
Is Appreciative To All  
The Volunteers Who  
Made It Happen!**

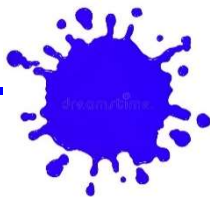
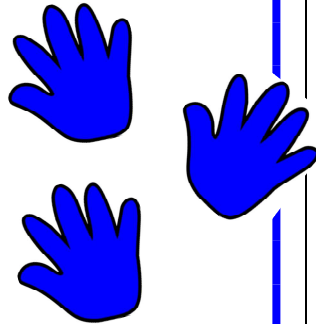
## **PAINT-A-THON -2017 Team-**

Once again, the Zionista's participated in  
The Annual Paint-A-Thon!  
The event was held September 5<sup>th</sup>  
through September 9<sup>th</sup>.

When the anticipated day arrived...  
The Team didn't waste any time prepping,  
scrapping, caulking, and painting the house.  
In fact, due to the efficiency of the Team,  
the home was completed early!

**'So, It's True  
What They Say...  
Many Hands  
Make Light Work!**

**Thanks to all who  
assisted to make this  
a successful endeavor!**



**Submitted: Kristina Quint**

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## THE ZIONISTA'S -Compassion-



This year, the hard-working Paint-A-Thon Team completed the painting of their assigned house sooner than usual. As a result, there was no work to be done at the end of the week.

### -HOWEVER-

We know that the Zionista's would never end their work week early...



Instead, a crew gathered and conquered a new project...The painting of Glen & Debbie Gottschalk's garage.

The daughters are attempting to sell the home at a distance.

Therefore, a fresh coat of paint on the home's garage couldn't hurt!

It may even assist the daughters with selling the property more quickly!

## COMPASSION IS A VERB

This is just another example of the compassion in the hearts of the members of Zion Church!

Submitted: Kristina Quint



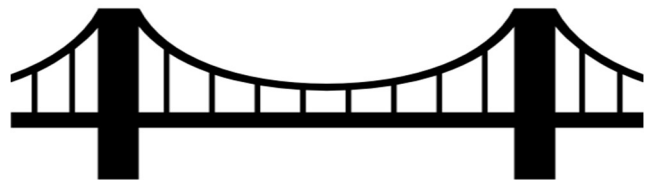
## GROCERY BAGS -Donation Requests-



As a result, of our GRACIOUS congregation members who GENEROUSLY donated to the Zion Food Pantry, we are finding ourselves low on plastic bags. If you have plastic bags that you would like to recycle and put to good-use, we will take them off your hands!!! They will be put to immediate use and greatly appreciated by the Food Pantry staff.

Submitted:  
Sandy Levins & Sue Eden

## "GETTING AHEAD" 2<sup>nd</sup> Dinner In October-

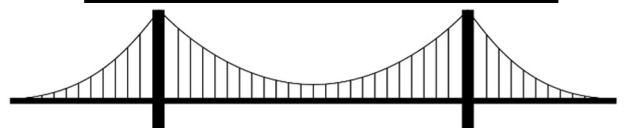


The 2<sup>nd</sup> Supper for the Bridges "Getting Ahead" class is coming up. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Supper will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup>. We will be responsible for preparing and serving the food.

The supper will be served at "The Loft" and will begin at 5:30 p.m.

If you would like to assist, please contact a member of the Social Justice Committee.

Submitted:  
Social Justice Committee





## THANK YOU -For A Great Success-

What a Sunday! We sank the boat with our food donations, enjoyed a skit from the youth, music from the choir, welcomed three new elders and enjoyed a delicious meal!

Thanks To Everyone Who Helped Make The Back To Church Sunday A GREAT SUCCESS!

A special thanks to the Board of Christian Education and the Fellowship Committee for setting up, providing the luncheon, decorating, creating grocery totes, and cleaning up afterwards. You went out of your way to make the day a SUCCESS!!!

Submitted: Janice Gibson



## WE SANK THE BOAT -With Food Donations-

Our Fill-The-Boat Food Drive Was Overwhelmingly Successful!



To Support The Fill-The-Boat Food Pantry Efforts, The Board of Christian Education Created Reusable Grocery Bags.

The bags are screen-printed with the new UCC logo and Zion's name. We want to encourage people to use the reusable grocery bags for yourselves and, also, as a reminder to continue to support our food pantry.

The Grocery Bags Are Available At The Back of The Sanctuary! So Please Take One Home Today!

Submitted: Janice Gibson



## Share the Love **FOOD DRIVE**

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS -For Food Pantry-

No One Can Thrive On An Empty Stomach. 42 million people face hunger in the U.S. today – including nearly 13 million children and more than five million seniors. Hunger knows no boundaries – it touches every community in the U.S., including our own.

**Over the last few weeks, the demand for food in Burlington has increased dramatically!**  
**During the month of September alone, we assisted over 70 families with food from our Food Pantry.**

Due to the increasing demand in our community, we are asking for weekly food donations to assist with the needs of the Food Pantry. These are items that we cannot purchase from the Food Bank.

- October 8: Cans of Soup**
- October 15: Cans of Fruit**
- October 22: Jars of Jelly**
- October 29: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday/Month Donation**

Each week, our Church Bulletin will include the wish list for the following Sunday.

Submitted: Deb Ruble,  
Sue Eden, Sandy Levins,  
& Kristina Quint



### SPECIAL OFFERING -Neighbors In Need-



We Will Receive The Neighbors In Need Special Mission Offering On October 1, 2017, As Part of Our World Communion Sunday Observance.

#### The 2017 Theme:

**"Protect The Sacred:  
In A Just World,  
Clean Water Is Life."**

**Neighbors In Need (NIN)** is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States.

One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants.



**Please Join Us  
In Supporting  
The 2017  
Neighbors In  
Need Special  
Mission  
Offering!**

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## COFFEE HOUR -Hosts Needed-



And...Remember – You Can Make It As Simple Or As Elaborate As You Wish!

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| October 1 <sup>st</sup> :  | Bonnie Downes &<br>Deb Ruble            |
| October 8 <sup>th</sup> :  | _____                                   |
| October 15 <sup>th</sup> : | _____                                   |
| October 22 <sup>nd</sup> : | Milt/Laurie Paule<br>Wayne & Ruth Smith |
| October 29 <sup>th</sup> : | _____                                   |

Please Check The Sign-Up Sheet On The Bulletin Board In The Back of The Sanctuary If You Can Assist By Sponsoring A Sunday!

Submitted: Kristina Quint

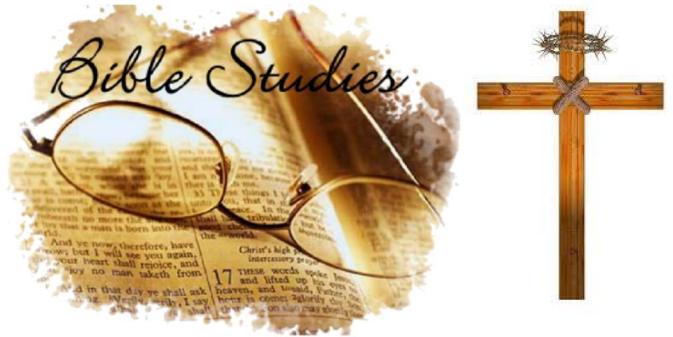


## BIBLE STUDIES -Two Per Week-



## COME JOIN US!

Pastor Brice offers two weekly Bible Studies. They meet Tuesday mornings (7:30 a.m.) at Diggers Rest and Wednesday evenings (6:00 p.m.) at the Church.



## 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER -Giving Reports -



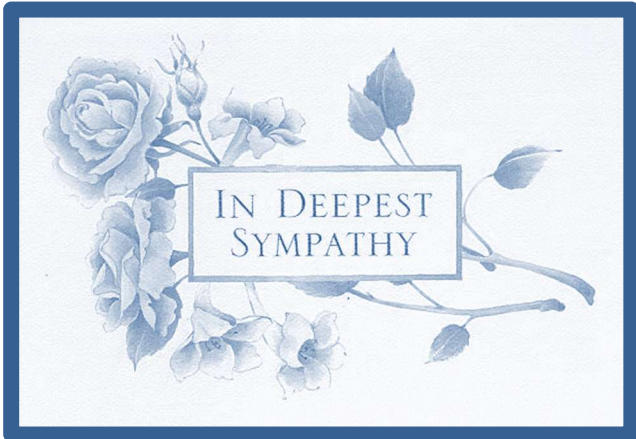
For convenience purposes, your 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Giving Reports are available. They are located in the Narthex.



Submitted: Kay Jacobs



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## DEEPEST SYMPATHY -To The Dietzman's-



We extend our deepest sympathy to the Dietzman family for their recent loss.

We are wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.



## FORWARD DAY BY DAY

## DEEPEST SYMPATHY -For Charles Brissey-

Please accept our condolences on the recent passing of Charles Brissey, a good friend of Pauline Kuster.



Today and always, may loving memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength.

## THESE DAYS -Devotional Books-

### THESE DAYS Daily Devotions for Living by Faith

We provide *These Days* Devotional Books each quarter for you. A few are also ordered in large print for your convenience. We simply ask for a \$2.00 donation if you're able to help offset their cost. An envelope is provided with each book.

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W E L C O M E

## ZION HIGHWAY -Cleanup Crew-

The next highway clean-up is approaching! Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>! Zion is responsible for cleaning a one mile stretch of highway south of Burlington on Highway 61.

The Zionista's who are interested in assisting with this worthwhile cause are to meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. From there, we will carpool to the location.

Submitted: Gail Lawlor

## ZION MEMBERSHIP -Promoting Team-



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

**We Are Seeking Volunteers  
To Assist With Promoting  
And Increasing Zion's Membership...**

Zion UCC welcomes all who welcome everyone else! We need your help to reach out to people in the community, who are seeking a loving, open-minded church!

Zion United Church of Christ opens its doors to all, and offers an affirming home for LGBTQ people amid a welcoming community where God is still speaking, and where we seek, discover and renew our faith together.

The Zion Membership Team will increase participation and church growth with the use of membership drives and campaigns in the community.

**Be Part of An Important Team  
That Seeks And Promotes  
Zion Membership  
In The Community!**

A Signup Sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board in the back of the Sanctuary.

Submitted: John Jay & Kristina Quint

## CHURCH CLEAN-UP -Volunteers Needed-



The Church Clean-Up Day has been scheduled for Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

### Minimum Clean-Up Tasks:

Paint exit door on 2nd floor of fire escape;  
Repaint parking lot lines; Repaint safety stripes on front stairs; Clean baseboards and vents; Clean light lenses in Narthex.

**LET'S TEAM UP TO CLEAN-UP!!!**

**Volunteers Are Needed!  
Let's Keep Our Church Beautiful!  
Please Join The Cause!**

**OPERATION CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION**

Submitted: John Jay

CHURCH ON A  
MISSION



## CHURCH TECHNOLOGY



**THE CHURCH**  
GOD'S WISDOM ON DISPLAY

### ZION VISUALS -Presentation Team-

**We Are Seeking Volunteers To Assist  
With Designing Visual Presentations  
For Worship Service Each Week...**

The spirit of God falls upon people, not technology...however, an amazing multi-media presentation in a church can make for a greater overall worship experience for both the church leader and their visitors.

With that said, it is important that we do not depend on Sandy Levins, "The Lone Ranger" to design and complete the PowerPoint Presentations each week. We need a Team that will assist Sandy and the Pastor with creating and designing visual presentations that enhance the worship service each week.

Be Part of An Important Team That Enhances Worship Service Every Week!  
A Sign-Up Sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board in the back of the sanctuary.

Submitted: John Jay & Kristina Quint

**CHURCH TECH TODAY**  
TECHNOLOGY FOR TODAY'S CHURCH



### FACEBOOK PAGE -Maintaining Team-



Find us on  
**Facebook**

**We Are Seeking Volunteers  
To Assist With Maintaining  
Zion's Facebook Page...**

Facebook has become the "face" of our church and provides an important first impression. We need a Team that can maintain one of the most important tools for ongoing communication with our members and attendees.

Facebook allows us to update our resources frequently, interact with people more, and provide dynamic and current information about Zion Church. It is also a great tool to expose potential members to our church!

Be Part of An Important Team  
That Provides Ongoing Resources To  
All Who Visit Zion's Facebook Page!

A Sign-Up Sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board in the back of the sanctuary

Submitted: John Jay & Kristina Quint



Like Us On  
**facebook**



## BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> At 7:00 P.M.

Present: Tom Kenney & John Jay

### A Special Thanks From The B&G Committee

#### FIRST AND FOREMOST:

The Building and Grounds Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the anonymous donor that contributed to the Building and Grounds Fund. Your donation will go a long way in maintaining our beautiful church!

Thank You Again –  
We Cannot Express  
Our Appreciation Enough!

#### CHURCH MAINTENANCE:

Tom Kenney is thankful to the church for approving the additional hours he has been granted to complete routine church maintenance.

Submitted: John Jay

- 1. Boiler Insurance Update:**  
Receipt of Boiler Certification.  
All Boilers are certified.
- 2. Determine Date For Fall Clean-Up:**  
The Clean-Up date has been scheduled for Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.  
Minimum Clean-Up Tasks:  
Paint exit door on 2nd floor of fire escape; Repaint parking lot lines; Repaint safety stripes on front stairs; Clean baseboards and vents; Clean light lenses in Narthex. Reviewed with Tom any and all tasks that are not scheduled that can be brought to B&G for the spring and fall clean-ups.
- 3. Budget Input For Consistory:**  
Reviewed tentative time lines for roof, carpet, windows repair, etc. for budget purposes. A special thank you to Judy Taylor for your time on this task.
- 4. Reviewed Input From Jim Ritters:**  
We reviewed and visited air handlers within our walls, presented earlier to Building & Grounds by Jim Ritters. A special thanks to Jim for your input. Ideas, suggestions, and concerns regarding the Church are always appreciated!

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 3<sup>rd</sup>

# IMAGES FROM ZION'S "FILL THE BOAT" SUNDAY

**"Fill The Church?"  
"Fill The Boat?"**

## September 10<sup>th</sup> Was Our Kick-Off Sunday For Fall!

As anticipated, it was a great time! Family, friends, and neighbors gathered to "Fill The Church", demonstrating how we are spiritually fed at Zion every week.

**We also took the opportunity to  
"Fill The Boat!"**

**Jesus is taking rest on a boat, when the disciples come to him and said, "Send all these people away, so they will go buy something to eat!", but Jesus tells the disciples, "You give them something to eat!"**

SO, on September 10<sup>th</sup>, members of the congregation listened to Jesus' message.

Members generously donated to the "Fill The Boat" cause. As anticipated, it was an overwhelming success! Family, friends, and neighbors gathered to "Fill The Boat", demonstrating how we physically feed members of the community each week.

**It's true...Zion Church feeds people  
both physically, and spiritually!**

**You Could Even Say...  
We Sank The Boat With The Food  
Donations We Received!!!**



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When I began working at Zion Church, it was difficult. I went home every day disheartened more that day, than the last. I observed how difficult it was for people to swallow their pride and walk through our church doors, asking for food, a staple that most people have the luxury to take for granted.

I have always believed in the power of eye contact. Most of the people that came in for assistance kept their head down. For their peace of mind, they believed the less interaction, the better. HOWEVER...When I was finally able to peer into their eyes, they opened-up...they revealed their life struggles...FINALLY, they had no shame.

I discovered that people not only needed food...they needed someone to listen.

No advice. No words. Just a shoulder...an ear.

Because of the generosity of our congregation, we have the resources to assist needy people in the community. I may not be a member of Zion Church – however I know the heart and the compassion of the people standing in the church pews each week.

If I had to utilize one word to demonstrate my association with Zion Church...it would be PROUD.



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A special thank you to  
Sandy Levins, Sue Eden,  
Deb Ruble, Janice Gibson,  
Brice Hughes & Kay Jacobs for  
organizing the donations  
and stocking the shelves.



A Special Thank You To All  
The Members of Zion Church...  
You Made This Happen! God Bless!





## October Birthdays:

1--- **Brice Hughes**  
2421 Gnahn Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

1--- **Cathy Key**  
714 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

3--- **Kyson Thomas (3)**  
516 Maple Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

4--- **Milt Paule**  
2601 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

5--- **Lisa Graham**  
321 Summer Street  
West Burlington, IA 52655

13-- **Darrell Eden**  
218 Lewis Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

13-- **Marcia Fraise**  
1002 West Mt. Pleasant Street  
West Burlington, IA 52655

13-- **George Johnson**  
10574 Rolling Hills Drive  
Burlington, IA 52601

14-- **Asher Agnew (4)**  
502 North Poplar Street  
New London, IA 52645

14-- **Tamra Eden**  
3420 Mason Road, Apt. #211  
Burlington, IA 52601

16-- **Sandy Levins**  
714 Whitewood Street  
Burlington, IA 52601



17-- **Ben Eden**  
3420 Mason Road, Apt. #211  
Burlington, IA 52601

21-- **Lin Parks**  
2729 South Main Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

23-- **Cristen Pope (11)**  
509 Harrison Avenue  
Burlington, IA 52601

26-- **Karlee Bush (13)**  
1919 South Main Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

28-- **Sandy Elmore**  
900 Canterbury Drive  
Burlington, IA 52601

28-- **Cathy Schnicker**  
805 Randall Lane  
Burlington, IA 52601

29-- **Deb Ruble**  
1518 Division Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

31-- **Samuel Hartman**  
2200 Mt. Pleasant Street  
Burlington, IA 52601

31-- **Matthew Heitmeier (14)**  
11386 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
West Burlington, IA 52601



## October Anniversaries:

3--- **Charles & Martha Landstrom (64)**  
1206 Madison Avenue  
Burlington, IA 52601





12-- **Wayne & Ruth Smith (49)**  
1116 Hagemann Avenue  
Burlington, IA 52601

15-- **Josh & Megan Agnew (6)**  
502 North Poplar Street  
New London, IA 52645

20-- **Wade & Sharon Whisenant (27)**  
2622 Florence Avenue  
Burlington, IA 52601



# October 2017 Zion Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>10:00 am Worship Neighbors In Need Offering Communion 11:00 am Coffee Hour</p>		<p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>7:30 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Building &amp; Grounds Meeting</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:30 pm Noiz Nites No Bible Study No Handbells 7:00 pm Choir</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6</p> <p>7</p> 		
<p>8</p> <p>10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour Food Donation: Soup 4:00 pm Square Dancing</p>		<p>9</p> <p>10</p> <p>7:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:00 pm Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:00 pm Consistory</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Zion Mile Highway Cleanup - Meet At Church At 9:00 am</p>
<p>15</p> <p>10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour 1:30 pm Crop Walk Food Donation: Cans of Fruit</p>		<p>16</p> <p>17</p> <p>7:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:00 pm Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir</p>	<p>19</p> <p>20</p> <p>21</p> 	<p>8:00 am Fall Clean-Up At Church 7:00 pm Joshua's Eyes Race Begins</p>	
<p>22</p> <p>10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour Food Donation: Jars of Jelly</p>		<p>23</p> <p>24</p> <p>7:30 am Bible Study 5:30 pm "Bridges Ahead" Dinner &amp; Social Justice Meeting Following</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:00 pm Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir</p>	<p>26</p> <p>27</p> <p>28</p> <p>4:30 pm SUM DINNER</p> 		
<p>29</p> <p>10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Family History Discussion 5th Sunday Food Pantry Collection</p>	<p>30</p> <p>31</p> <p>-Halloween- 7:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>Due to the increasing demand in our community, we are asking for weekly food donations to assist with the needs of our Food Pantry. Please see the "Donation Request" for each Sunday. God Bless!!!</p>				

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**Rev Brice Hughes**, Pastor

**Janice Gibson**, Organist, Pianist, Music Director,  
and Christian Education Director

**Kristina Quint**, Office Administrator

**Kay Jacobs**, Treasurer's Assistant

**Renita Jarrett**, Choir Accompanist  
And Wedding Coordinator

**Megan Agnew**, Nursery Supervisor

**Tom Kenney**, Custodian

**Deb Ruble**, Director of Bridging the Gap