

Worship Opportunies Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00 &10:30am

Contact Information

School 618-635-3060 ext 1 Daycare 618-635-3060 ext 2 Church 618-635-2880 email Office@zion-school.org

The mission of Zion Lutheran school is to guide students toward academic excellence and to prepare them to be Christian Leaders!

March 21, 2024

Bible Verse of the Week

The Lord is my strength and my song; he has
given me victory.-Psalms 118:14

Important Upcoming Dates

(Sports dates are listed under sports)
Mar. 21 World Down Syndrome Day-rock your socks Wear your most colorful/mismatched socks
Mar. 25-Apr. 1 No School-Easter Break
Mar. 27 Asian Bistro Night-Mention Zion
Apr. 1 DQ Night-Flyer needed attached below
Apr. 2 School resumes
Apr. 4 Pre K Registration
Apr. 6 Youth Group Trivia Night
Apr. 9 Spring Pictures/Sports Pictures
Apr. 24 Family Night

Upcoming Easter and Confirmation Dates

Lenten Worship Wednesday Services 3:30 pm & 7:00pm Palm Sunday – March 23, 24 Maundy Thursday – March 28 (Worship at 3:00 & 7:00) Good Friday – March 29 Chief Worship – 3:00 Tenebrae – 7:00 Holy Saturday Vigil – March 30 at 5:00 Easter – March 31 Sunrise – 6:00 Festival of the Resurrection – 10:00

Confirmation Examination – April 27 at 5:00 (Examination to occur during worship) Confirmation Sunday – May 5th at 10:30 Ascension Day – May 4,5 Pentecost – May 18, 19

Birthdays

3/22 Nolan Sanks 3/23 Finn Michki 3/25 Abigail Mosser 4/1 Mrs. Johnson 4/4 Anna Mosser 4/4 Liam Sievers 4/4 Luke Sievers

<u> Please Pray For</u>

- Olivia Welch, Nolan Sanks, Finn Michki, Abigail Mosser, Anna Mosser, Liam Sievers, Luke Sievers, and Mrs. Johnson.
- Giving thanks to our families who are reenrolling and continuing their education with us.
- All the volunteers who contribute so much to the life of our school.

Announcements

3rd Quarter Honor Roll Grades 5-8

High Honors Mattie Marburger Molly Schulmeister Lucas Cook Anna Mosser Wyatt Nganga Aleah Wyatt Chloe Damm Jax Davis Luke Davis Sophia Ems Colton Griffith Brooke Hemken Grant McCalla Tyler Robertson Colton Sharp **Reese Bertels** Avery Brunnworth Wesley Crouch Catania Henke Abigail Mosser Isaac Rantanen Samantha Wells

Honors Ava Prusacki Brent Ruehrup Jace Sharp Addison Woolsey Landon DeVries Claire McCalla Brodie Knoche Harper Wade J.T. Blessman Austin Sanks Brad Yotter David Girardin

In the Know:

Zion's Evangelical Board has created a QR code to help you stay up to date with church news. Simply scan the QR code at anytime with your device to be directed to the Zion Lutheran website.



2024-2025 Zion Pre-Registration

Registrations forms for next fall came home today, for Grades K-8. Please watch for them, complete, and return to school to help us prepare for next year.

Registration fees will be \$300 per student. There is an Early Bird, \$100.00, discount if you pay \$100.00 by 4/10/24 and another \$100.00 by 5/10/24. Registration fees after 4/30 are subject to the full registration fee of \$300.00. Registration fees are non-refundable.

Financial Aid Link-Deadline to Apply 4/10/24.

If you are a current school member or previous financial aid member, you have to have the form submitted by 4/10/24. This year Zion has the opportunity to get financial aid funds from LESA. In order to quality, existing families must have their application in by the deadline.

What you need to do if you would like to apply for tuition assistance?

• Go to Zion's FACTS page at <u>https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/42LBJ</u> to complete the online financial aid application. (This is the same process that we have always used.)

Please let Mrs. Crouch know when you have completed your application. Thank you.

Zion Family Night:

Save the date. Zion Family Night will be April 24, 2024. We are looking forward to a fun night of fellowship with our Zion Families.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in putting a truck, farm equipment, or other interesting vehicles in our Touch a Trunk event that evening, please email Mrs. Bertels. <u>Shelby.bertels@zion-</u> <u>school.org</u>

Reading Club:

Reading club has gone well and our students have been wonderful. Thank you Mrs. Best and volunteers for all you've done for our students this year. Reading club will continue through the end of April, with the last day being 4/24/24.

Job Opportunity

Zion is looking to fill a full time Head Cook position. Please view the job description below and share with friends and family.

Save the Date:

Trivia Night: April 6

Youth group will be hosting a trivia on Saturday, April 6 at the Staunton Country Club. Please plan to join us! The cost to play is \$15 pp and tables of 8-10 are welcome to participate. Bring your own snacks! Water and soda will be provided (while supplies last). All other beverages must be purchased from the Country Club. You can reserve a table by emailing <u>Kristi.Cook@zion-school.org</u> or texting 618-972-5239. We will also be having a 50/50 drawing and silent auction. We will run our silent auction differently. Raffle tickets will be sold for the silent auction items. You can drop your tickets in the bags of any item you want a chance to win. Proceeds will go toward sending 4 adult leaders to the National Youth Conference in July.

Chapel Offerings:

Every Wednesday at 8:30am. Parents and friends are invited to join. 4th Quarter offerings will be going to the Macoupin Center for the Developmentally Disabled, MCDD. This is a local non-profit organization dedicated to serving adults throughout Macoupin County with Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities.

Junior Youth Group (3rd-5th gr.)

No Meeting for March April TBD

Youth Group (6th-12th gr.)

Middle/High School Youth Group:

March 23: Winter Jam at Enterprise Center-We will meet at Zion at 2:45 p.m. for Winter Jam. We will no longer be having dinner together. Winter Jam is \$15 at the door. Please have exact change. If you would like to purchase snacks/drinks then please keep in mind that Enterprise Center is cashless. A debit card, credit card, Google pay or Apple Pay will be needed. Youth are discouraged from bringing bags.

March 24: Middle school youth 3 - 5 p.m./High school youth 4 - 6 p.m.

Upcoming Fellowship Events:

July 16-18: Retreat at Rustic Acres for youth entering 7-9th grades in the fall

Thrivent Members

If you are a member of Thrivent, please consider logging onto your account before March 31st and direct your dollars to Zion by March 31st. Even if you have done so in the past, you will still need to direct this year's dollars.

Sports Activities/Schedule

All schedules are attached below. The Athletic Banquet date is TBD

<u>Track and Field:</u> Coach Mrs. Mosser <u>Practices:</u>

Thurs. 3/21 @ SHS 3:15-5:00 Week of March 25 - Practice on your own with the possibility of open track time TBD Mon. 4/1 @ SHS time TBA Tues. 4/2 @ Zion 3-4:45 Thurs. 4/4 @ SHS 3:15-5:00

Meets:

April 6-Nashville Invitational @ Nashville Community High School 10:00 April 13 - Good Shepherd Invitational @ Collinsville High School 9:00

April 16 - @Staunton High School 4:00

April 20- Conference Track Meet @ Belleville West High School 9:00

April 27 - Zion, Belleville Invitational @ Belleville East High School 10:30

May 5 @ Roxana High School-Conference Relays TBA

May 7 @ Staunton High School 4:00

May 11 - District Track Meet @ Belleville East High School 10:30

May 18-19 STATE Meet for those who qualify @ Concordia, Chicago 9:00

PTL Dates & Fundraisers

June 10, 2024 @ 6:00 in the School Cafeteria

Zion's 4th Grade Pass On Jesus Club

The Glenwood

On Thursday the 4th grade Pass On Jesus Club went to the Glenwood to give the people Easter baskets. We had a great time there meeting the people. Thank you parents who gave us candy to put in the baskets. Also thank you Mrs.Davis and Mrs.Foulk who helped drive.

By: Kennedy Hemken and Tori Davis



Ongoing Information

2024-2025 School Year Documentation

The following documentation is needed on or before final registration, which is on August 5th 2024. Please get your documentation for the upcoming school year to Mrs. Bertels.

Inclement Weather Announcement

Zion does not always follow the public school in inclement weather closures. Zion will not always close due to cold temperatures. Please be aware that a parent alert will go out if Zion is closed due to road conditions.

• We will always use parent alerts to inform you of school closures. If you have not been receiving parent alerts, please contact the office as soon as possible.

School Apparal Shop

Your NEW 24/7 Zion Lutheran School Sideline Store is officially up and running.

http://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/illinois/staunto n/zion-lutheran-school

Sunday School Classes are every Sunday from 9:30-10:15

- Early Childhood: 3 years-1st grade in the PreK Room (Mrs. Wyatt/Ms. Fletcher)
- Elementary: 2nd- 5th grade in Ms.
 Chapman's classroom (Ms. Johnson)
- Youth Bible study: 6th-12th grade in Mrs. Cook's classroom
- Adult Study in the cafeteria

<u>Sports:</u>

Any child playing a school sport needs to complete the concussion information sheet along with the sports handbook policy waiver before they begin their sport. This will be kept in their student file. Please stop by the office if you are in need of these.

Restaurant Fundraiser Dates

Please support our local merchants. A percentage of your meal will be donated to support Zion! Thank you to our local merchants!

Dairy Queen Fundraiser Nights

1st Monday of Every Month- Flyers are available on the school website or Facebook page <u>El Indio</u> 2nd. Wed. of the month. <u>Little Italy's Fundraiser Nights</u> 3rd Wed. of the month <u>Asian Bistro Fundraiser Nights</u> Last Wednesday of each month. No flyer needed, just mention Zion to their staff.

Zion Collects the Following Fundraiser

Opportunities (Collected in school office)

- Little Italy's Proof of Purchase can be dropped off in the school office
- Raise Right (Formerly Scrip)

Go to RaiseRight.com or download the new Raise Right app on your phone to get started. The Zion enrollment code is FC3ALE174778. program.

 Orders may be placed on line at <u>RaiseRight.com</u> or you may also call Michelle (618-660-5044) or e-mail her at <u>michrant@gmail.com</u> or drop off at the school or church offices.

If you have additional questions, please contact Michelle Rantanen. Remember, a percentage of all of your scrip purchases will be deducted from your monthly tuition!

Choir Dates

"Joyful Noise" 3rd-8th grade

"Praise Him" 4yr PreK-2nd grade

• April 14, 10:30 service, "Joyful Noise"

Lunch/Snack Fees

Every Friday if your child has an IOU for snacks and/or lunches, a purple slip is sent home with the amount. Please ask your child if they have been receiving any.

March 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ENTRÉE ALTERNATE: Peanut Butter & Jelly or Riblet				1 Sloppy Joes Chips Carrots Mixed Fruit Milk Early Dismissal
4 Chicken Tacos Sour Cream Salsa Flour Tortilla Spanish Rice Mixed Fruit Milk	5 Chili Mac Green Beans Bread & Butter Fries Rice Krispy Treats Milk	6 Hamburger or Cheeseburger Baked Beans Cole Slaw Brownies Milk	7 Pancakes w/Butter Syrup Sausage Peaches Milk	8 Chicken Nuggets Tator Tots Corn Jello Milk Early Dismissal
11 Biscuits & Gravy Sausage Roasted Potatoes Dirt Cake Milk	12 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes And Gravy Corn Chocolate Pie Milk	13 Hot Dogs on Bun Macaroni & Cheese Peas Vanilla Pudding Milk	14 Mostaccioli Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce Garlic Toast Fruit Salad Milk	15 Turkey Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Dressing Corn Chocolate Chip Cookies Milk
18 Roasted Chicken Twice Baked Potatoes Carrots Lemon Pound Cake Milk	19 Beef Nachos w/Corn Chips Sour Cream Salsa Fried Rice Mixed Fruit Milk	20 French Toast w/Syrup Bacon Hashbrowns Peaches Milk	21 Chicken Patty Tater Tots Peas Pears Milk	22 Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Carrots & Celery Sticks Applesauce Milk
25	26	27	28	29

Easter Break

HE IS RISEN

Position: Full-time Head Cook

About Us: Zion Lutheran School's mission is to guide students to academic excellence and to prepare them to be Christian leaders. This can be seen throughout the school in students and staff. We prioritize serving nutritious and delicious meals to support children's growth and development. We are currently seeking a dedicated and hard-working school cook.

Job Description: As a School Cook at Zion, you will play a crucial role in ensuring that our students receive wholesome and balanced meals that meet both dietary guidelines and safety standards of the State of Illinois. You will plan menus, prepare meals, maintain records, monetary logs, and ordering logs, as well as clean and keep an organized kitchen. The ideal candidate is passionate about cooking, knowledgeable about food safety and nutrition, and committed to providing high-quality meals for our students.

Responsibilities:

- Prepare and cook a nutritious lunch and snack, in accordance with ISBE guidelines and menus.
- Ensure that all meals and snacks meet dietary guidelines, including accommodating special dietary needs and food allergies.
- Maintain proper food handling, storage, and sanitation practices.
- Must get managerial food servicing license.
- Monitor inventory and order supplies and ingredients as needed.
- Prepare monthly menus.
- Clean and sanitize kitchen equipment, utensils, and work areas to maintain a hygienic and safe environment.
- Adhere to food safety regulations and standards set forth by local health authorities.

Qualifications:

- Experience is preferred but not required.
- Knowledge of food safety and sanitation practices.
- Familiarity with menu planning and recipe development.
- Excellent communication and teamwork abilities
- Flexibility to menu changes, schedules, and dietary requirements.
- High School Diploma or GED equivalent
- Must pass thorough background check.
- Must be willing to get Managerial Food Service License

How to apply: If you are interested in this position, you may pick up an application and apply at Zion Lutheran School. Please submit your resume and cover letter outlining your experiences and qualifications.

Application Deadline: April 10, 2024

All 6-8th Grade Zion students are invited to attend a...



Head to your favorite thrift shop and find the perfect formal attire!

The dance will take place in the school gym on **Saturday April 13th**, 2024, 5:30-8:30pm. Admission is FREE and your name will be entered to win the attendance prize! The fun includes: DJ, drinks, snacks, photo booth with fun attire, games, contests, and prizes!



Best Dressed Boy Best Dressed Girl Limbo Dance Off Bags Competition Hula-hoop Competition



Immediately following the dance, the students are invited to walk to Asian Bistro to eat dinner! They will serve a small buffet, which will include your favorite Asian dishes, chicken nuggets, fries, and homemade pizza rolls. The buffet and drink will cost \$10 per student.

We are looking forward to a great night of fun for the middle school students! For more information, text Amber Ruehrup 618-779-7282.



Zion Youth Group Presents **Trivia Night** Tables of 8-10 \$15 per person When: April 6, 2024 Where: Doors open @ 6pm

Doors open @ 6pm, starts @ 7pm Staunton Country Club

50/50 RAFFLE- SILENT AUCTION

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS! WATER AND SODA WILL BE PROVIDED (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST) ALL OTHER BEVERAGES MUST BE PURCHASED FROM THE COUNTRY CLUB.

RESERVE A TABLE BY CONTACTING KRISTI AT

Kristi.Cook@zion-school.org or 618-972-5239 PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS SENDING 4 ADULT LEADERS TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE IN JULY AND YOUTH ATTENDING THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN NEW ORLEANS IN 2025



2nd Annual Youth Retreat

When:

JULY 16TH AT 5PM THROUGH JULY 18TH AT NOON

\$60

per person

July 16-18

Chosen

Where:

Rustic Acres Jellystone Park

12246 Binney Rd New Douglas, IL 62074

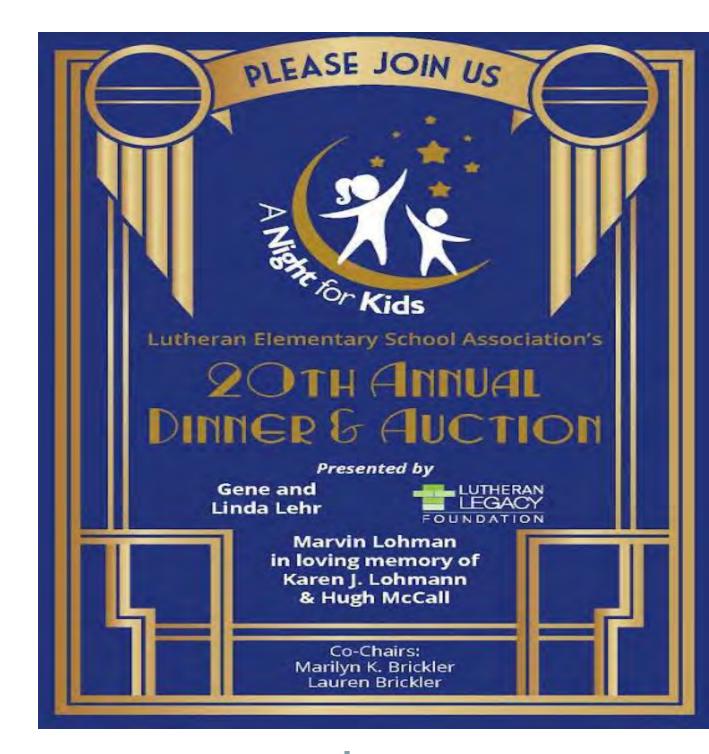
Join us for a 2 night retreat at Rustic Acres! Our YouthLead team will be leading Bible study sessions, fun team building activities, servant event, and some time to relax at the pool and by the bonfire. Space is limited! Registration will be first come first serve. Who: Youth entering 7th-9th grade in the fall

REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL JUNE 16

Rustic Acres Youth Retreat 2024 Registration Youth entering 7-9th grades in the fall are eligible to attend. The registration fee of \$60 is due with the form. *Registration fees are non-refundable and are due by Sunday, June 15.* Space is limited. Spots will be filled on a first come/first serve basis.

Name:					
Youth phone	number: _				
Grade enteri	ng in the fa	ll:	_		
Parent/Guard	lian Phone	number:			
Additional en	nergency co	ontact name	e & numbe	er:	
Email addres	s (please p	orint clearly)	:		
T-shirt size:	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult XXL
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Additional information & a packing list will be emailed after the June 15 registration deadline. Contact Kristi Cook with any questions - Kristi.cook@zion-school.org



- · Luxury hotel, timeshares or resort stays
- Gift certificates or gift cards
- Unique tours (i.e. historic, brewery, winery, distillery)
- Gas gift cards
- Hot air balloon or helicopter ride
- Pet sitting or boarding
- Event tickets (i.e. theater, music or comedy concert, sporting event)
- Private, insider tours of local businesses or factories
- Year of car washes (once a month for a year)
- Vintage and rare bottles of wine
- Private wine or beer tasting with 10 friends
- Craft Brewery sample pack/tasting
 Cooking lesson from award-winning local chef
- Jewelry
- · Food pairings event-pairing food with wines, beers or bourbon

- Signed memorabilia (helmet, jersey, balls, bats, gloves, practice gear, hat:
- Passes to golf tournament
- Pro lessons for any sport
- Tee time at a luxury or private golf course
- Personal trainer certificate
- Spa visit or complete makeover with a local stylist
- Dancing lessons
- Tickets to theme parks
- Photo shoot with professional photographer
- Group paintball, laser tag, ice skating or other outing
- New iPhone, iPad, Apple watch, Kindle, Nook, digital camera, etc.
- Movies tickets + concessions gift card
- Strike it Rich: A collection of different types of lottery tickets
 - Limo ride to view holiday light displays
- · Any type of unopened alcohol for an alcohol drawing





BLOOD DONORS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Schedule today!

Staunton Community Blood Drive

Ralph and Josephine Oltmann Community Center

101 West Pearl Staunton, IL 62088

Friday, April 12, 2024 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org

You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPassI Visit RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass for more information.

Bring a photo ID or your blood donor card, or two other forms of ID.

Make an impact: Come give blood 4/8 to 4/28 for a \$10 gift card by email to a merchant of choice!

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App



ZION LUTHERAN P.T.L. - STAUNTON

- WHERE: STAUNTON DAIRY QUEEN 1553 HERMAN ROAD STAUNTON, IL 635-5194
- WHEN: FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH 5P-9P
- WHAT: DQ WILL DONATE BACK 20% OF PRE-TAX SALES GENERATED BY YOUR GROUP

How to help: Just follow these steps to raise funds.

- 1. BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY TO DQ DURING THE ABOVE TIME PERIOD FOR DINNER AND TREATS.
- 2. GIVE THE FLYER TO THE CASHIER WHEN YOU PLACE YOUR ORDER.
- 3. No other coupons or discounts will be honored in conjunction with this fundraiser.
- NO FLYERS MAY BE HANDED OUT IN OR AROUND THE RESTAURANT DURING THE EVENT.



PROUD TO BE A PART OF THE COMMUNITY!

Zion Lutheran 2023-2024 School Calendar

August 8	Final Registration
August 14	Orientation Night
August 16	
August 21	First Day of 4-year-old PreK
August 22	First Day of 3-year-old PreK
September 1	No School—Teachers' Professional Development
September 4	No school—Labor Day
October 6	No School—Teachers' Professional Development
October 9	
October 13	(End of 1 st Quarter)
October 25	1:45 Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:00-7:00
October 26	1:45 Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:00-7:00
October 27	No School
November 3	12:00 Dismissal—School Improvement
November 22-24	No School—Thanksgiving Holiday
December 1	12:00 Dismissal—School Improvement
Dec 20-Jan 5	Christmas Break (End of 2nd Quarter)
January 8	School Resumes (End of 2nd Quarter)
January 15	No School-Martin Luther King Jr Day
February 2	12:00 Dismissal—School Improvement
February 19	No School-Presidents' Day
Feb 26-Mar 1	IOWA Testing Week
March 1	12:00 Dismissal—School Improvement
March 8	12:00 Dismissal—Special Friends' Day (End of 3rd Quarter)
March 25-Apr 1	No School-Easter Break
Apr 2	School Resumes
Apr 8	No School-Eclipse Day
May 1 & 2	Parent-Teacher Conferences (no change to the day)
May 3	No School

May 22 12:00 Dismissal (Last School Day if all 5 Emergency Days are used)

Dates Zion Deviates from the Public School Calendar

	Zion	Public School
October 6	No School	1/2 day
October 13	Normal (No afternoon bus service)	2pm dismissal
Dec 20 & 21 Jan 4 & 5	No School	Normal
March 8	12pm Dismissal (No afternoon bus service)	2pm Dismissal
April 8	No School	Normal
Mar 25/26	No School	Normal
May 22	12pm Dismissal (No afternoon bus service)	2pm Dismissal