



Zion Live Life in Christ Lutheran **Panther Paws**

Worship Opportunities

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am

Contact Information

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The mission at Zion Lutheran School is to guide students toward academic excellence and to be Christian Leaders!

November 07, 2024

Bible Verse of the Week

*The Lord is my strength and song,
And He has become my salvation;
He is my God, and I will praise Him;
My father's God, and I will exalt Him.-
Exodus 15:2*

From the Desk of the Principal:

Join us for Better Together Sunday, an event that highlights the mission and blessings we share here at Zion. This special day begins with a unified worship service at 10:00 a.m., followed by the Better Together Dinner and Program in the Zion School gym.

This is Zion Lutheran Church's largest benefit event of the year and is vital in helping us fulfill our mission and meet our budget needs. The cost to educate each student at Zion is approximately \$8,000 per year, and thanks to the generosity of our church family, our congregation makes up the difference between tuition and the actual cost of education.

We are excited to celebrate the many gifts of music that enrich our church and school, and we hope you will join us for this special day of gratitude and fellowship. Even if you can't attend, please consider supporting the mission of Zion as we continue to work together for the future of our children and community.

Together, we can make a difference—because we are truly better together.

In His Service,
Jamie Crouch
Zion Lutheran School
Principal

Announcements:

This month at Zion Lutheran School, our character trait focus is "Thankful." Throughout November, our students are learning about the importance of thankfulness in all areas of their lives. Each day during our morning announcements, we highlight different ways to be thankful—whether it's being grateful for our health, appreciating our families and friends, or giving thanks for the beauty of God's creation. We also take time to recognize and be thankful for those who serve our community and for the many opportunities we have to learn and grow.

We humbly ask for your prayers for our students as they grow in gratitude this month. Please pray that they may develop thankful hearts and recognize the blessings God provides each day. Your support and prayers are a vital part of our ministry, and we are so grateful for all you do to uplift our students and school.

Thank you for being a blessing to our Zion family. In Christ, Jamie Crouch

Thanksgiving Feast

Our annual Thanksgiving feast will be held on Friday, November 22. We will need volunteers to help with desserts and serving. Please contact Heather in the school office if you're able to volunteer.

We are asking each class to bring an item to help make our Thanksgiving Feast.

- 4am Preschool- 2 cans of Corn
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- Eighth Grade- Chex Mix Ingredients

Upcoming Picture Day:

Fall picture retakes for students and staff as well as fall sports and candid club pictures will be on Tuesday November 19th.

Important Upcoming Dates

NOTE ATHLETIC DATES ARE LISTED UNDER SPORTS

- Sunday 11/10 "Joyful Noise" 10:00
- Sunday 11/10 "Better Together" Service and Dinner 10:00
- Monday 11/11 NO SCHOOL Veterans Day

November Birthdays-Happy Birthday!

- 11/11 Catania Henke
- 11/15 Brodie Knoche

In our prayers this week

Catania Henke, Brodie Knoche, and all the men and women who served honorably in the military – in wartime or peacetime.

Zion will not have school on Monday, November 11-Veterans Day. **Daycare will be open from 6am-6pm.** A signup sheet will be on the daycare desk. All children attending will need a sack lunch and drink.

Lunch Bites

Ms. Tammy has added some new items to our lunch menu for the month of November. Make sure to look at what she has cooking in the kitchen and share with your kid(s) the new entrees and sides and encourage them to give it a try.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered or has signed up to volunteer to help with serving the student lunches.

Lunch Volunteers for the week of Nov 7- Nov.14:

- Thurs. 11/07: Pam Hagarty
- Fri. 11/08: Nicki Blessman
- Mon. 11/11: NO SCHOOL
- Tues. 11/12: Pam Hagarty
- Weds. 11/13
- Thurs. 11/14

If you have an hour of free time, please consider volunteering to help serve lunch to our students and staff. Please sign up here if you are able to help:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044AA5AC29A2FA7-50706609-serving>

Student Council



We will be having "face painting" for \$1.00 at all home games. This not only supports our teams but will also promote school spirit!

Again, Thank you for all your support. Our Student Council is really trying to make our school even better!

Mark your calendars: Choir Dates

"Joyful Noise" 3rd-8th grade

"Praise Him" 4yr PreK-2nd grade

- November 10, 10:00 service "Joyful Noise"
- December 15, Christmas Program
- December 20, Christmas Program

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

In addition to adult classes, we have classes for Early Childhood (3 years old-1st grade), Elementary (2nd- 5th grade), and Youth Bible study (6th-12th grade). Early Childhood classes will meet in Mrs. Kleckner's Preschool room (off the gym). Elementary classes will meet in Mrs. Meadors classroom (on the main floor). The 6th-12th grade youth bible study class will meet in Mrs. Cook's classroom (on the main floor), and the adult class gathers in the school cafeteria (lower-level). Please consider joining us this fall!

Chapel Offerings

Every Wed. the students/staff attend chapel service

at 8:30am in the church. Parents and friends are invited to join us as well.

Offerings are collected weekly and given to a selected charity per quarter. This quarters offering will be assisting St. Paul's Lutheran Church in South India.

Youth Group

A huge thank you to our church and school families who helped make Bingo night a success! We had many great auction items donated and a wonderful night of fun and fellowship. Thank you for walking beside our youth as we prepare to attend the 2025 youth gathering in New Orleans!

God's Kids (3rd-5th grade)

Sunday, November 17: God's Kids will meet at The Glenwoods at 1:50pm. We will meet outside the weather permitting or just

inside the building to talk briefly before playing card/board games with the residents. Please bring along a simple board or card game you like and would like to play with the residents. We are scheduled to play games with the residents from 2-3pm. I will also bring along a few options. Pick up will be at 3pm.

Please contact Pam Kleckner with any questions.

MS/HS YOUTH GROUP 6th-12th)

Sunday 11/10 - MS 3pm-5pm

HS 4pm-6pm

Sunday 11/24 - MS 3pm-5pm

HS 4pm-6pm

Sports/Activities Schedule

Sports Physical: Any student wanting to play a sport will need a sports physical. Please note 6th graders may use their health form as a sports physical.



State Volleyball Results

Girls Volleyball: 6th Place

Boys Volleyball: 7th Place

Anna Mosser: Selected for the All-Tournament Team.

Congratulations to the athletes and coaches for a great season!!

GO PANTHERS!!



Cheer

Coaches: Michaela Martintoni, Stephanie Diamond

Practices:

Tues. 11/12 6:00-7:15

Thurs. 11/14 6:00-7:15



BASKETBALL

Girls

Coach: Ryan Henke

Practices:

Thurs.11/7 2:55-4:55

Tues.11/12 2:55-4:55

Weds.11/13 2:55-4:55

Thurs.11/14 2:55-4:55

Fri. 11/15 2:55-4:55

Boys

Coaches: BJ Davis and Andrew Robertson

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2025 Cardinals Calendar fundraiser is currently taking place. At just \$20 each, the calendars make great gifts. Order forms need to be returned by November 12th.

School Apparel Shop

Your NEW 24/7 Zion Lutheran School Sideline Store is officially up and running. Stop reading and start shopping to score the latest fan wear and accessories. Get out there and cheer on your team. Go Zion Lutheran School!

Visit the Store Here:

<https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/illinois/staunton/zion-lutheran-school>

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

EL Indio

2nd Wednesday of the Month

Little Italy's Fundraiser Nights

3rd Wed. of the month

Asian Bistro- (dates to be announced)

RaiseRight (Formally Scrip)

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

Orders may be placed on line at RaiseRight.com or you may also call Michelle (618-660-5044) or e-mail her at michrant@gmail.com. You may drop off scrip orders and payments at the school, daycare, or church office during their regular hours. All orders placed by noon on Monday will be available for pickup by Thursday of each week. Orders may be available sooner if items requested are currently in stock. For immediate purchases, scrip is available during school office hours. We continue to carry our local retailers and our most popular national retailers in inventory. 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!

The Student Council is beginning to collect family photos and a family Bible verse from each family, for the “**Zion Family Wall**”. It is so important that your family send your Bible verse and photograph via email to cheryl.best@zion-school.org by November 15. We really want to share our love of Christ and our families here at Zion for the holiday seasons and would love to have all the families of Zion represented!

Best Family

Proverbs 3:5-6 ~ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.



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Cold and flu season is upon us! As the weather changes and family and friends gather for the holidays it is not uncommon to see an increase in common illnesses among students. Here are a few tips to remember.

Colds are the most contagious during the first 48 hours. To prevent widespread flu in the school, we recommend that your child stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms

Consider keeping your child at home for:

- Very stuffy or runny nose and/or cough
- Mild sore throat (no fever, no known exposure to strep)
- Headache
- Stomachache

Keep your child at home if he or she has any of these symptoms:

- Fever (greater than 100 degrees and your child may return to school only after his or her temperature has been consistently below 100 degrees, by mouth without medication, for a minimum of 24 hours)
- Vomiting (even once)
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- General malaise or feelings of fatigue, discomfort, weakness or muscle aches
- Frequent congested (wet) or croupy cough.

To help prevent the flu and other colds, teach your children good hygiene habits:

- Wash your hands frequently.
- Use hand sanitizer when available.
- Do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Cover mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, use a tissue, throw it away and then wash hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Do not share drinks or food.
- Do not share combs, brushes, hats, scarves, bandanas, ribbons, barrettes, hair ties or other personal care items.

Please make sure that your student(s) comes to school with the appropriate clothing. As it gets cooler consider dressing your child in layers, closed toe shoes, no sandals, hats or earmuffs, gloves, scarf and a heavy jacket as the temperature begins to drop.

METRO EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE COMPANY

PRESENTS

CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN

Adapted by Christopher Sergel
From the book by Frank B. Gilbreth Jr. and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey



Directed By:
Judy Brown &
Benjamin Ettling

Friday, November 8 @ 7pm
Saturday, November 9 @ 7pm

Ticket Link:
<https://our.show/melhs-theatre-cheaper-12>



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Trinity-St. Paul Walther League would like to invite all 7th-12th grade youth to a fun fellowship event. Please join our youth for the Ugly Sweater English Country dance and light meal. A caller has been hired for the dance. He walks youth through the steps. So, it's perfect for beginners and seasoned dancers. Youth should dress modestly and comfortably.

When: Sunday, December 8th

Where: Trinity Lutheran Parish Hall 512 Main St., Worden, IL

Time: 3-7pm Cost: \$5 per attendee

-Peace IN Christ, Eliza Askins Walther League Parent

UGLY SWEATER PARTY





The holidays are just around the corner. As you begin to do your holiday shopping consider purchasing gift cards through the RaiseRight program. There are 100's of gift cards to choose from. Your favorite stores, restaurants and entertainment spots including many local businesses such as Mayfields, Blackbird Bakery, Bills IGA, Cavataios and R&B's Family Restaurant are a part of this program to name a few. You can help Zion PTL raise money and receive money off of tuition all while using your gift cards for your everyday spending. Don't forget birthdays, anniversaries, graduations and any special occasion that comes your way! Plenty of travel scrip cards available as well.

November 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| ENTRÉE ALTERNATE: Peanut Butter & Jelly | | | | 1 "Chefs Choice" Caramel Apple Salad Milk V: Karen Brown |
| 4 Breaded Pork Sandwich Fries Peas Applesauce Milk V: James Blessman | 5 Taco Rice Mexican Corn Oreo Brownies Milk V: Pam Hagarty | 6 Beanie Weenies Tater Tots Mixed Veggies Applesauce Milk V: Heather France | 7 Pulled Pork Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Green beans Fruit Cocktail Milk V: | 8 Pizza Pasta Garlic Breadstick Lettuce Salad Chocolate Pudding Milk V: Heather France |
| 11 NO SCHOOL  | 12 Chicken Nuggets Corn Curls Carrott Sticks Pineapple Milk V: Pam Hagarty | 13 Hamburger or Cheeseburger Fries Carrots Cupcake Milk V: | 14 Fish Sticks Mac & Cheese Corn Jello Milk V | 15 Baked Pancakes Sausage Hashbrown Pears Milk V: Pastor Phil |
| 18 Mini Corn Dogs Sweet Potato Fries Green beans Cinnamon Applesauce Milk V: | 19 Egg and Cheese Biscuit Sausage Hash Browns Peaches Milk V: Pastor Mark | 20 BBQ Chicken and Bacon Sandwich Salad Pineapple Milk V: Heather France | 21 Sweet and Sour Meatballs Stir Fry Veggies Rice Mandarin Oranges Milk V: Heather Girardin | 22 THANKSGIVING <u>FEAST</u> w/ALL the FIXINS |
| 25 NO SCHOOL  | 26 NO SCHOOL  | 27 NO SCHOOL  | 28 NO SCHOOL  | 29 NO SCHOOL  |