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The Zion Spirit



"Grounded in Christ: Sent to be a blessing"

March 2019

Cafe Zion Spaghetti Dinner

March 2nd – 4-7 PM.

This 9th edition of this annual event is one of the things Zion is known for in the community. With good food, service and live music, everyone enjoys being a part of this.



Free will offering supports expenses to help Zion make building available to community groups for no charge. Be sure to come and invite family and friends!

Spiritual Gifts Workshop

March 16th, 1—3:30 PM

Spiritual gifts are an important way to understand how God has wired us for service. An online assessment will be available prior to the workshop so people who attend will take the assessment first and get both their results and insights at the workshop.



To register, email ZionElgin@Yahoo.com and let us know you plan to attend, or talk to Deacon Marlene or Pastor Dave!

Ash Wednesday Communion March 6th—7:00 PM

Holy Communion with imposition of ashes.
Gather for a reflective evening and to begin the season of Lent with meaning.



Wednesdays in Lent

MetaMoments is a 6-session book written by Pastor Dave that lays out key themes for Christians to ponder. It's a simple resource with a lot of depth and it should be a great chance for each of us to learn and explore some important themes of our faith.

We'll have Evening Word and Prayer at 7:00 PM followed by refreshments and small group table discussions at 7:30. This is a great way to deepen our faith as well as connect with others. Books are just \$5 and chapters are short and easy to read!

Healing: A Service of Word and Prayer



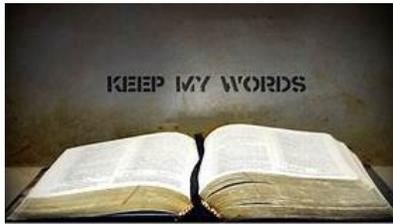
There will be four more upcoming Services of Healing at Zion in 2019. The dates are:

- ♦ May 21
- ♦ July 16
- ♦ September 17
- ♦ November 19

The services are intimate and reflective, lasting about 1/2 hour. People can offer their concerns to God, whether those concerns are for themselves or for someone else. During this service of prayer, message and music, time is provided for individual prayer, group prayer or anointing with oil. We have found the service to be helpful and meaningful, so we hope you will join us.

March Verse of the Month

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God. (John 1:1)



Worship Scripture Lessons

March 3, 2019—*The Story*, Ch. 21

Nehemiah 1:1-9 (sermon text)

Mark 1:1-8

March 10, 2018—*The Story*, Ch. 22

Isaiah 60:1-6

John 1:1-14 (sermon text)

March 17, 2019—*The Story*, Ch. 23

1 Corinthians 13:1-7

Mark 1:9-22 (sermon text)

March 24, 2019—*The Story*, Ch. 24

Psalms 100:1-5

Mark 4:35-41 (sermon text)

March 31, 2019—*The Story*, Ch. 25

2 Peter 1:16-21

John 8:51-59 (sermon text)

March Youth Group

This month our youth group will meet on March 17, following the late service. We'll gather here at Zion for lunch, plan the Easter breakfast, make dog toys for a local animal shelter as well as have some time for ping-pong and other games. If you have any old t-shirts, feel free to bring them! Parents please join us at 3:00 for about 15 minutes of planning.



Feed My Starving Children—April 6th

On April 6 Zion will head to **Feed My Starving Children** in Schaumburg to pack food for children around the world. This is a Saturday morning and our shift is from 9-11 AM. There are a limited number of spaces, so please let Dianha know ASAP if you plan to go, to save your space!



**FINANCIAL UPDATE YEAR TO DATE
THROUGH JANUARY 2019**

| <u>Fund</u> | <u>Income</u> | <u>Expenses</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| General | \$13,291 | \$13,191 |
| Building | \$1129 | \$868 |

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Worship/ Holy Communion

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Adult Education

10:45 a.m. Worship/ Holy Communion

Mar 13 thru Apr 10 - Weds. evening Lenten worship and conversation

April 2 – Soup Kettle – We serve

April 6 – Feed My Starving Children

April 18 — Maundy Thursday meal and worship

April 19 – Good Friday

April 21 – Easter

May 7 – Soup Kettle – We serve

May 21— Healing Service

May 26 – Begin summer worship times (8:30 and 10:15)

June 3-7 – Children’s Peace Camp (VBS)

June 4 – Soup Kettle – We serve

June 7-8 – Synod Assembly

June 16 – 21 Confirmation Camp