

Zion Lutheran Church, School & Preschool
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Rapid City, SD 57701-8913

May 2022 NEWSLETTER



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

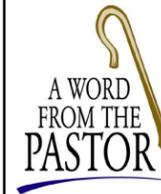
Mark your calendars! VBS will be held June 6-10, 2022. We are going back to our traditional 9:00-12:00 time frame this year for any kids age 3 (attending with an adult) thru entering 5th grade in the fall. At Monumental VBS, kids explore the vastness of God's power and the depth of his love for each of them. You can expect a week full of faith discoveries, memorable music, and epic adventures that help kids encounter God's love and power! **The registration website is open now.** Paper registration will not be available this year, only registration thru the online registration website. We need LOTS of volunteers too! Volunteer registration will be online as well. [If you are willing to provide supplies or snack items, our wish list is in the narthex.](#)

We greatly appreciate your prayers for the success of this event!

Please let me know if you have any questions!

~Becki Aker
VBS Director

Registration Website: <https://vbspro.events/p/a2d0bb>



Have you made your summer plans yet? Kate and I sat down the other day to work out what our summer is going to look like. After we finished it felt like summer was already over. Baseball games, work trips, National Guard Annual Training, VBS, vacation, birthdays, anniversary, and just going to work on a regular basis fills the summer. Maybe you can relate. You and I are a people driven by our schedules.

So, the disciples' question in the beginning of Acts should not surprise us. They are talking with the resurrected Jesus and ask, "Lord, when will You restore the kingdom to Israel?" That is, when are You going to make all things right? When are You coming back to restore Your creation? Because, Lord, we need to get it on our schedules.

I wonder how the disciples took Jesus' response: "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority." In other words, you don't need to know. Jesus says, "What you need to know is this: you will receive the Holy Spirit. And with His power you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

As Christians we live in a world between. On one hand, we schedule our lives to make sure that kids are taken care of, responsibilities are fulfilled, and we have time for rest. But on the other hand, we must live as though Christ will be coming back tomorrow. What does that mean?

It means that we take on the tasks given to the disciples. You and I are not necessarily called to be His witnesses to Jerusalem and Judea. Instead, we switch Jerusalem for the ballpark, and Judea for the campgrounds in the Black Hills. We live out our schedules and go where those schedules take us. And it is in those places where we live out our witness to Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

So, enjoy the coming summer. Good luck on your planning and scheduling. Plan your trip to the beach or the mountains. At the same time prepare for the everlasting vacation to come.

God Bless,
Bryan



From the Principal's Office— May 2022

ZION'S 2022 GRADUATION CLASSES



Our Fifth Grade Graduation and Reception will be held on the evening of Monday, May 23rd, at 7PM. Preschool Graduation and Reception will be held at our final Chapel service for this school year, on Wednesday, May 25th 8:30AM. Please keep our graduates in your prayers as they prepare for their next steps in their education.

FIFTH GRADE GRADUATES

Brody Aker, Iris Birnbaum, Christian Drain, Olivia Edwards, Gabriel George, Malaki Mann, Lars Morrison, Hunter Noteboom, Jacob Rohrbauck, Maraea Rose, Curtis Schmidt, Alden Schneider, Brayden Stephen, Carson Ulrich, Nathaniel Warnke, Emeri Welder, Maci Wenzel, and Lincoln Williamson

PRESCHOOL GRADUATES

Morning Class- Kinley Anderson, Ayla Asbridge, Sibby Buntrock, Tylie MacIver, Carolyn Mass, Daniel Mass, and Samuel Stecher

Afternoon Class- Thomas Bonney, Sawyer Bouma, Daniel Coyle, Ramsey Devall, Maycie Graumann, Evi Groven, Charli Hancock, Ramsey Johnson, Cody Kleinpaste, Fiona McCoy, Beckett Rice, Maizey Rust, Hollace Schiley, Emma Vunnamadala, Joshua Warnke, and Reese Williamson

God's richest blessings to the fifth grade and preschool graduating students from all of the teachers and staff of Zion Lutheran School and Preschool. Our prayers will be with you as you continue your education...and as you continue to grow in your faith!

CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TRACK MEET

The track meet will be held Friday, May 6, at the track at Rapid City Christian. The 1600 M race will begin at 8:30AM with all other events beginning at about 9AM. Over 500 students from Calvary Christian School, Homeschoolers, St. Paul Lutheran, Creek Side, Black Hills Christian Academy, Bethesda Hot Springs, and Zion will participate in this event. The Track Meet will end around 2PM. There is no charge to visitors. Everyone is welcome to come and cheer the runners on!

OUTLAW RANCH

Zion's fifth grade class will be attending an Environmental Education Camp at Outlaw Ranch May 18-20. While they are at Outlaw Ranch, the students will be doing team-building activities, taking an ecology hike, riding horses, possibly canoeing, having a campfire, and experiencing KP duty.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

If you know of parents who might be interested in enrolling their child for the 2022-2023 school year, please have them contact Mrs. Solinsky 342-5749. We offer small class size with maximum of 15 students in each kindergarten and 20-22 in our other classrooms.

PARKING LOT PARTY

Zion School's PTL will be hosting a "Parking Lot Party" on Friday, May 13th, from 5pm-8pm. Zion's various board members will also be helping with this event. There will be food trucks, games, a bike obstacle course, and a dunk tank. We look forward to having everyone from Zion Lutheran Church, School and Preschool to come and have a great time!



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League will meet on Saturday, May 14, at 10:00 a.m. There will be installation of officers and a devotional. We will then go to Pizza Ranch on Stumer Road for lunch. This is the last meeting until September. We invite all ladies to join us for this time of Christian fellowship.



These Zion Members will celebrate a birthday of **80 or more years** in May. Remember them by a card!

May 8 Ila Fenenga
St. Martin's Village
4941 St. Martin's Village Rm #U-55
Rapid City, SD 57702

May 16 Earl Dahme
2000 Wesleyan Blvd
Rapid City, SD 57702

May 10 Proulx Lawson
4930 Grace Way
Rapid City, SD 57702

May 25 Joyce Peck
102 St. Andrew
Rapid City, SD 57701

May 13 Shirley Schlottman
1760 Tablerock Road Apt 404
Rapid City, SD 57701

May 29 George Nielsen
1132 Enchantment Rd
Rapid City, SD 57701

Care Circle women's Bible study will meet on Monday, May 9, at 9:30 a.m. at Zion. This will be the last meeting until September. We will use the 3rd Bible study in the Spring Lutheran Women's Quarterly. There is a free-will offering for the Cornerstone Mission. All ladies are invited to join us. Questions? Call Gail at 430-9715.



Financial Report

	<u>Mar 2022</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>
Budget Receipts:	\$217,937	\$1,095,196
Budget Expenses:	\$112,539	\$1,024,586
Gain or [Loss]:	\$105,398	\$70,610

Funds collected via Envelopes, Loose Plate, Tuition, Daycare & Preschool

Together We Grow (TWG) Summary-Mar 2022

Total Funds Received	\$1,268,731.16
Less TWG Expenditures	\$ 391,265.03
Add funds dedicated to TWG	\$ 225,597.45
Total TWG Funds	\$ 1,103,063.42

Zion School Spotlight

What is your dream job?

By: Mr. Dobbs'
2nd Grade Class

Lainey: My dream job is to be a professional singer because my whole life is singing. I love singing so much. Every day I sing because I am really good at singing. Everywhere I go I sing in my head and hum.

Nora: My dream job is to be an astronaut! I want this job because space is cool! I think it would be exciting!

Jenson: I want to be a pizza chef as my dream job because I make the pizza for my family. I want to make cheese pizza for my mom and veggie pizza for my dad and pepperoni pizza for my sisters, Haley and Holland.

Everett: I would like to be a police officer because I can save people! I can help people if they are hurt.

Allie: My dream job is to be a nurse because my mom is a nurse. It looks really cool.

Bridger: My dream job is to be a professional racecar driver. Because it would be fun to drive fast in a car.

Seth: If I had my dream job, I would be a paleontologist because I love dinosaurs!

Audrey: My dream job is to be a doctor because I like making people feel better and making them happy. I think I would be really good at being a doctor. I am most likely going to be good with babies.

Brynley: If I had my dream job, I would be a hairstylist because I like to play with hair. I like to do hair and do my sister's hair.

Oakley: My dream job is to be a rancher. I would like to do that because I think the work is really fun. I think riding horses is really fun too.

Piper: My dream job is to be an artist. I would be my own boss and have beautiful artwork around my house. I would also visit beautiful places to paint beautiful things.

Meribelle: If I had my dream job, I would be a vet because I want to save animals.

Grace: My dream job would be a rockstar. I would be the lead singer or dancer. I hope I will get paid a lot so I can donate it to charity. The rest of the money is for my needs and wants. I want to be a rockstar because I love singing and dancing. If I had it, I would squeal of happiness!

Aria Rice: My dream job is to be a good singer and sing a great song. I think it would be cool.

Aria Rose: If I had my dream job, I would be a famous designer. I want to be a fashion designer because it would be fun to make dresses and clothes for people!

Weston: If I had my dream job, I would like to be a soldier in the Navy because I'd be helping my country.

Langston: My dream job is to be an Air Force pilot. I like being in a plane.

Easton: If I had my dream job, I would be a scientist so I can discover new things.

Clara: If I had my dream job, I would like to have a farm of my own and have chickens, one horse, a cat, and a dog! I would like that because then in the summer I could ride my horse, feed the chickens, and have a cat to play with!

Mercia: If I had my dream job, I would be a gardener. I want to be a gardener because gardening is very colorful to me. I also want to be a gardener because I want my house to be full of flowers. It is a cool job for me.

Brooklyn: If I had my dream job, I would be a teacher. I would love it because it would be so much fun and beautiful and loud for a long, long time.

Gabe: If I had my dream job, I would be in the US Navy Seals because I want to go to important stuff.

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