

## JULY 2022

### VOICE OF ZION

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**Sunday Family Worship at 10 am**  
**Sunday School at 9 am**

### Worship Attendance

Date	In Person	Virtual (est.)
5/29	92	50 devices
6/5	119	148 devices
6/12	117	107 devices
6/19	124	103 devices
6/26	134	55 devices

Virtual Sunday worship is available on YouTube, both live stream and recorded for later viewing.

### Sunday School Average Attendance

June: Adult (18+) = 18

Youth = 0

(no downstairs SS being held this summer)



### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES ARE STREAMED THROUGH YOUTUBE!

You can always join us for worship

wherever you might be. To easily view the worship service simply go to our church webpage... [www.zionlippe.org](http://www.zionlippe.org)... and click on the "Watch Live" tab and you will be able to view the worship service when it goes live. The live stream will normally begin at approximately 9:55 am. If you have any questions please let Pastor Jeff, the church office, or Greg or Jonathan Schmitt know and we will be happy to assist in any way that we can.

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## Playground Project

Our brand new playground is set to be installed later this month. Sometime between the dates of July 17th and 24th, a crew will arrive and install all our new equipment. Once all the equipment is installed and the new fencing is in place, we will be asking for volunteers to assist with the spreading of the rubber mulch. We hope that families will join us in putting the final touches on this project. Keep an eye out for more accurate dates and times once we receive word from the installers and their timeline.



## JULY

In order to share in the joys and celebrations of our lives as a congregation we publish a monthly list of birthdays and anniversaries of members and friends of Zion. Numbers in ( ) represent the year they married.

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

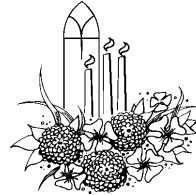
- 2 Gary and Donna Hartig (1965)
- 5 Carl & Kathy Barchet (1969)
- 6 Bob & Linda Reutter (1968)  
Joe & Rhiannon (Barnhart) Anderson (2013)
- 7 Jeff & Kris Long (1989)
- 14 Cameron & Shelbi (Hollen) Brown (2018)
- 16 Roger and Darlene Roedel (1983)
- 20 John and Darlene (Muehlenbein) Breiner (1957)
- 22 John & Rita Schmitt (1989)  
Michael & Carly (Schmitz) Patterson (2005)
- 28 Martin and Suzie (Nicholson) Schroeder (1984)

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 3 Sharon Herrenbruck, Raelynn Hast,  
Stephanie Warner
- 4 Michael Klenck
- 5 Susan Schroeder, Kelli Mohr  
Elizabeth Green-Adams
- 6 Dwayne Mahrenholz, John Breiner Sr.  
Maxen Anderson
- 8 Jay O'Risky
- 9 Vernon Krietenstein, Stacey Hyslop
- 11 Grant Cullman
- 13 Eugene Esche
- 14 Julie Klenck
- 15 Robert Klenck, Dwight Esche,  
Shelby Sauve
- 16 Staci Voegel, Tamara Starnes,  
Charles Blake Elkins
- 17 Joli Willett
- 19 Samantha McCutchan, Charlotte Green,  
Thomas Ewers, Jr
- 20 Connie McCutchan, Lucas Bullington
- 22 Nicholas Schroeder, Larry Droege,  
Tim Hoenert, Silas Primus

- 23 Lillian Randall, Delwin Parker, Bob  
Cummings
- 24 James Klenck
- 25 Roger Klenck, Maggie McCutchan
- 26 Alice Garness
- 27 Hope Schmidt
- 30 Hans Schmitz, Kim Bredemeier
- 31 Darrel Smith

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### *With Sympathy*

We extend heartfelt sympathy to the family of Jerry McClarney. Jerry passed away May 26, 2022 at the age of 86. Funeral services were held May 31 at Alexander West Chapel.

We also extend sympathy to the family of Donna Reineke. Donna passed away June 5, 2022, at the age of 88. Funeral services and burial were held June 10 at Zion.

We cherish many good memories of Jerry and Donna.

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### July Collection Items for Operation Christmas Child are:

Coloring Books and Notebooks (small or composition). Place items on table in foyer by elevator. Contact Ashley Lashley if any questions.

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**Good Samaritan Home can use old magazines.** They use them in Dementia Care training for their team members. Please drop off your magazines to the front desk at Good Samaritan Home, 601 N Boeke Rd, Evansville IN 47711

Have you ever been going about your day either shopping at a store, eating at a restaurant, or maybe sitting in a waiting room when a particular song plays? For every person the song is different, but as soon as you hear it, very vivid memories from another time in your life come flooding back. Often these memories are not just a recollection of the events, but we also recall and relive the emotional experiences that accompanied those events. We likely have all had this sort of experience where music serves as a powerful catalyst for our memories.

Neurological studies have revealed there might be a reason for this. In a study on the effects of music, it was found that certain parts of the brain light up when hearing a familiar song compared to a new song. The part of the brain that was active when hearing a familiar song is the same part that is associated with creating autobiographical memories. Our brains are naturally wired to make music a foundational part of the memories that have the potential to be some of the most defining to us.

While it cannot be studied quite as cleanly as neuroscience, I think a case could be made that our souls have also been created to respond to music in foundational ways. Music has been part of the Christian experience from the beginning. For instance, it is recorded on the night of the last supper, that before going to the garden Jesus and the disciples sang a hymn. Biblical scholars think that some of Paul's writings contain samples of songs that were used by first century Christians, Philippians chapter 2 is one example of this. Just like certain songs are deeply connected to our memories, we also have songs that are deeply connected to our faith.

For some of us these songs might be rooted in memories. Perhaps it is an old hymn that you associated with the grandparents who were shining examples in faith, or perhaps it is the song that was playing when you first committed to follow Jesus. Other deep faith songs might be ones that spoke truth and reassurance into our lives when we needed it the most, or they are songs that put our most important beliefs to words in a way we cannot.

We all have songs that connect to our faith. These are songs that make God's presence more detectable to us than normal, and songs that speak to our hearts and souls like nothing else. So here is what I propose. Over the rest of the summer I invite you to email, text, call, or whatever way you might choose... send me your top 3 hymns that are the most meaningful to you personally. I will compile these responses and then use the most selected songs as part of our worship services throughout the rest of the summer. Perhaps the most meaningful songs to you will make the list, or maybe you will get the opportunity to learn some new favorite songs. Either way, may we all be able to worship in Spirit and truth over these next couple of months.

Blessings to each of you!!! I hope you all will continue to have a wonderful event filled summer!!! **PJ**



*90 and fabulous! Please join us for  
a birthday celebration honoring  
Lillian Randall.*

*Sunday, July 24, 2022*

*2-4 pm at Zion Lippe*

*Hosted by Mike & Nancy Randall, Megan & Craig Dick, and Abby Randall*

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**God's Storehouse and how you can help!!!** We are learning about how much people are using and needing some extra assistance these days. God's Storehouse, which is located at St. Peter's United Church of Christ - 10430 IN-66, Wadesville, IN 47638 - can really use some extra help. The number of people they are seeing through the month has nearly tripled as well as the level of food that is necessary to meet this growing need.



We are asking that you bring canned food items to the church throughout the month of July and we will make sure those donations are taken to God's Storehouse. If you would like to make a financial donation, please send those donations to St. Peter's UCC at the address listed above. Thank you all very much for your support and consideration.

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***A WORD OF THANKS . . .***

I would like to thank everyone for all the flowers and donations and especially all the kind words; it all meant a lot to us. A special thanks to Pastor Jeff and Pastor Al. The music was great and the dinner was wonderful.

Please keep us in your prayers, I'm sure we are going to need them. Thanks.

Alice Garness and family

**THANK YOU** so much to everyone who helped make this year's VBS experience another wonderful event for all sorts of children. Our partnership with St. Peter's United Methodist Church continues to grow and the use of their wonderful facility makes VBS a great event for everyone who participated. A big thank you to Lauren Kern and Nancy Lewis for helping make sure the event ran so smoothly. To some of our teachers... Beth, Maggie, Molly McCutchan, Rhiannon and Joe Anderson, Patrick, Gabe, Amy, and Emily Schroeder, Ashley Lashley, Amanda Lashley, Alicia Becker, Kris Long, Rachel Simmons-Hast, Lauren Kern and all the helpers from St. Peter's UMC who cooked food, assisted with music and registrations... Your efforts are greatly appreciated and the event wouldn't have been as smooth and successful without your incredible efforts. Thank you all so much!!!

## **Zion Lippe UCC Council Highlights**

**06/14/22**

Attendance: Brian Crase, Dan Hoffman, Bob Klenck, Rosie Bogard, Michelle Heneisen, Carl Barchet, Nancy Lewis, Jeff Long, Russell Roehr, Laura Droege.

Regular Offering: \$74,445.12

Total Income: \$77,578.37

Total Expenses: \$77,945.41

Differences: (+)\$367.04

The council want to try out a volunteer program for greeters on Sunday mornings.

Nancy Lewis attended the Nursery School Advisory Committee meeting on May 15th. There were 20 graduates; the 2022 and 2023 enrollment is pre k 21, nursery 18, and they are full. The next meeting will be on August 14th at 6:00.

There will be a VBS meeting on June 16th to finalize plans.

The council agrees to give the entire Lenten offering of \$1,737 to God's Store House.

Tristate Painting has started repairs on the parsonage kitchen ceiling, it will be completed this week. An 8 ft florescent light in the west wall church window has been replaced.

The mold in the basement boys bathroom has been cleaned with bleach, still assessing best water proof paints. Would like to accomplish with in house workers, looking to scrape paint and start project within the next 30 days.

Chris McCutchan planted some trees in front of the church, and the dead holly bush in front of the Sunday school hall has been removed.

Waiting to hear back from Chapman roofing about the broken garage gutters.

Still trying to fix the handicap doors.

Kelly Esche has made a request to install lights at the playground/shelter area. Probably a good idea to minimize vandals and make the area more functional during evening hours. Will do some research on options.

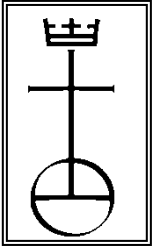
New exit lights have been installed and are working, but new smoke alarms still need to be installed. Joe and Alex are still installing emergency lighting in the basement.

We are on the books for Bunge's power washing/tucking/sealing/caulking lime stone caps/chimney assessment-tear off, cost is \$13,790; they will knock off \$1,000 if we do this all at once. The council agreed to make an Endowment request for the funds.

Cookout and movie will be part of the dedication for the new playground around the end of August. The removal of the old playground equipment went well.

The photos on the church website need to be updated, also the donation button should be moved to the top.

Pastor Jeff has bought some internet repeaters to try to get wifi to the entire church.



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