

From Pastor's desk...

June 2023

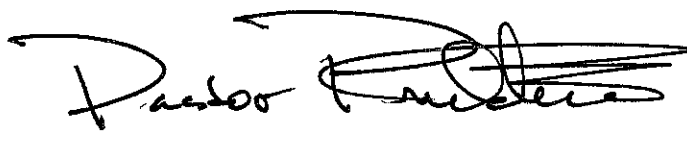

Dear Fellow-Redeemed of Zion Congregation,

The Board of Elders takes their job seriously regarding issues regarding our members. Each year following Easter, the Board reviews attendance records, transfers, and other membership issues in order to more clearly understand what is best for the members.

They agree that when folks do not attend any activities in the faith and fellowship life of the congregation, to let their absence go unaddressed is a mistake and may well have eternal consequences.

So, calls are made, letters sent out, and visits attempted. Finding no resolution to the absence, action takes the shape of a letter asking the member to let the Board know of their status. Do they wish to be removed from the membership roster? Do they want a transfer? Do they want what is called "A Peaceful Release?" And do they want to remain on the membership list for the time being?

Of course, the earnest desire and expectation of both Pastor and Elders is that all members join with fellow sinners to receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation in the context of the congregation. We deeply regret having to remove anyone from the membership roster, but in some cases, it is obvious that they have removed themselves. Pastor and Elders therefore sincerely request all members to pray that everyone on the roster of membership takes part in the life of the congregation, even as they participate in the Life of Christ by their Baptism.

 Pastor 



We Love Vacation Bible School!

**Join Us
this Summer**

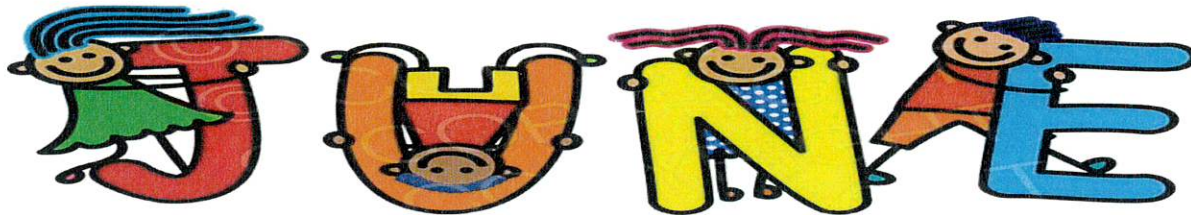
Coming SOON!!!

**Watch the bulletin or electronic sign for
the dates.**

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***Sunday School is on Summer Break.
Classes will resume in the Fall!!***

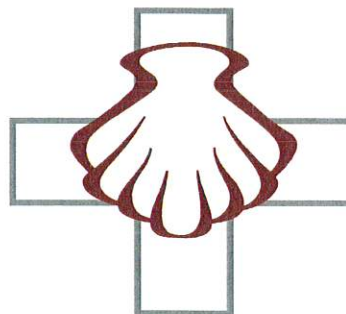


Celebrations



Birthdays

Sharon Krohe	6/1
Elliott Schneider	6/6
Tim Wieland	6/6
Hope Debowey	6/12
Darrel Patrick	6/18
Mary Seipel	6/18
Selina Pritchard	6/20
Eva Chipol	6/23
Deanna Pabst	6/24
Amy Wendling	6/25
Billie Miner	6/27



Baptism Birthdays

Cindy Saylor	6/1
Raleigh Rennecker	6/2
Blake Hermes	6/3
Madison Maro	6/5
Brooklyn Wieland	6/10
Amaya Shull-Pernell	6/11
Dana Greene	6/16
Sharon Krohe	6/17
Shannon Sparling	6/19



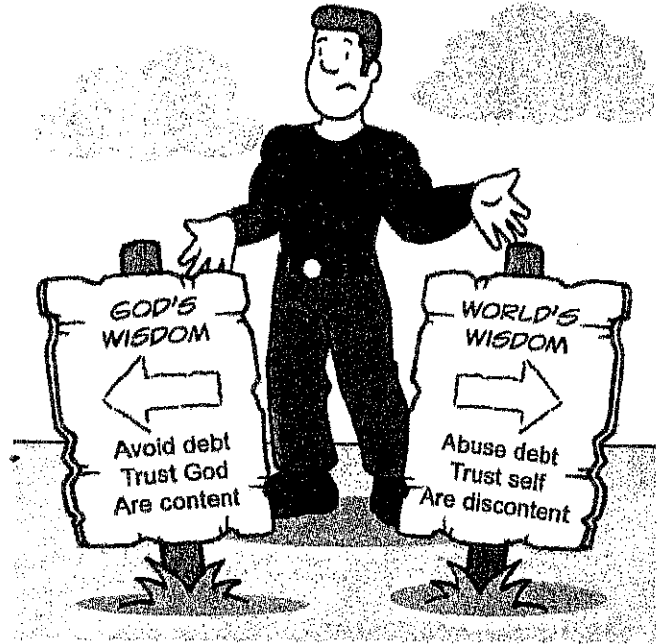
HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Wedding Anniversaries

David & Lea Manuel	6/24
Steve & Peggie Jurgens	6/26

The Dangers of Greed

We don't have to look very far to see examples of greed in our society. Greed is seen in the tremendous growth of casino gambling. We can see greed in the willingness of so many to work long days and weekends just to fulfill their desire to have bigger and better things to enjoy. Greed is a reflection of an attitude of wanting more. Greed is also a reflection that we are not satisfied with what God has



provided. Jesus said, *"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions"* (Luke 12:15).

Greed focuses on the temporal and the immediate without regard for the eternal. God's Word teaches us to distinguish between treasures on earth and treasures in heaven. In Proverbs 23:5 we read, *"Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle."* Riches will disappear and become meaningless.

The opposite of greed is contentment. The Apostle Paul wrote, *"But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that"* (1 Timothy 6:6-8). When we acknowledge that God is in control and that He will provide, we can be content.



JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3	
Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service 10:15 A.M.				Altar Parament Committee 2:00 P.M.			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service with Communion 10:15 A.M.			Mary Martha Guild 2:00 P.M.				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service with Communion 10:15 A.M.							
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service 10:15 A.M. Father's Day		Pastor at FOP Chaplain Meeting 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.					
25	26	27	28	29	30	1	
Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service with Communion 10:15 A.M.				Church Council 6:30 P.M.		Pleasant Plains Community 4th of July celebration	
2	3	Notes: Elder Bob TeRonde					
At Clayville..... Adult Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Divine Service 10:15 A.M. Potluck following service.							

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