

# Zion Lutheran Church

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**Women's Bible Study...6:30 pm on 2nd & 4th Mondays of the Month (does not meet during the summer)**  
**Wednesday Morning Bible Study.....9:30-11:00**

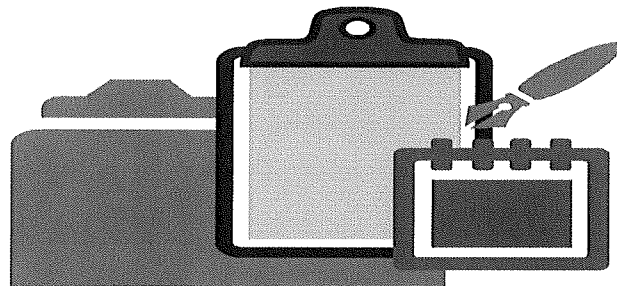
On the 3rd Tuesday of the month Pastor Dose is out of the office due to Carroll Circuit Pastor's Meeting.

*The Board of Elders meets monthly at the Church. Please feel free to contact any member of the Elder Board about any aspect of our ministry here at Zion.*

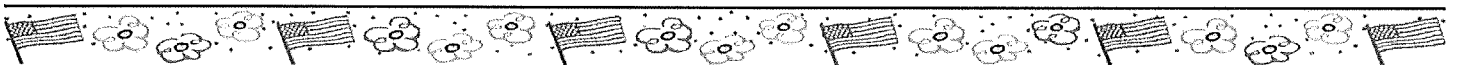
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# Church Council



# ZION PROCLAIMER

## **"Dose of Wisdom"**

July 2016

July is here. We are about halfway through the summer. Things are moving along nicely. You'll notice the readings for this summer's Gospel Lesson all come from the Gospel of Luke. Luke's Gospel is a great gospel as it focuses on Jesus catechizing the disciples. Teaching is a major emphasis in Luke's Gospel. From the very beginning of the Gospel, we see Luke confirming to Theophilus the "certainty of the things he has been taught." *Luke 1:3-4.* <sup>3</sup> *it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus,* <sup>4</sup> *that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.*

In this world we live in today we need to have certainty of the things we have been taught. We need to review and reread the things we have been taught over and over again. The devil is throwing assaults at us left and right. The devil wants the world to believe that Jesus is no longer relative, relevant or related to everyday life. But we as Christians know better than the devil. We know Jesus is with us each and every day through our baptisms. Jesus promises He is there to guide and direct our everyday life.

So as we go throughout the summer months of July and August keep reading through the readings before we have them in the Divine Service from Luke's Gospel. In the Congregation at Prayer I put the readings for the upcoming Sunday in the Congregation at Prayer. They are in there every week. Glean the readings from Luke see how Jesus teaches the disciples and what He teaches the disciples. Then after you have read the lessons come to the Divine Service to receive those readings and receive the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name.

*Blessings,  
Pastor Dose*

# L.W.M.L.

**LADIES AID:** The Ladies Aid will be having their monthly meeting on Thursday, July 7th at 9 am. Hostess will be Lila Thiedeman

“Serve the Lord with Gladness”

**MARTHA CIRCLE:**

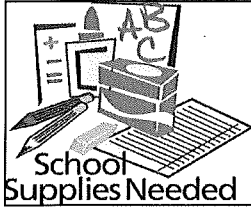
Betty Nobiling & Betty Klink

**CHANCEL CIRCLE:**

LaJean Shiney & Diane Witt

**PARISH CIRCLE:**

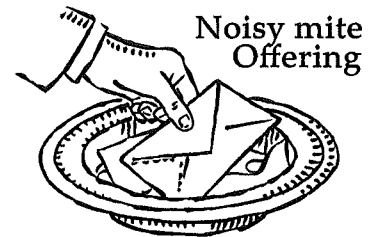
Marilyn Mumm & Donna Rickers



### SCHOOL KITS ..

- 70 count notebooks (wide or college ruled)
- 30 centimeter ruler (can have inches on other side)
- Pencil sharpener
- Blunt scissors
- Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel)
- Box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 2 1/2" eraser.

Again so many things we take for granted that are a “God-Send” to students in countries who lack these simple supplies. Keep these things in mind when you are shopping and possibly include some of these items to bring to church for these projects of the Ladies Aid and Evening Circles.



July 10, 2016

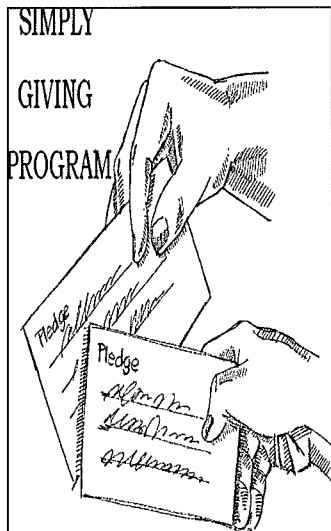
On Sunday, July 10th, the Evening Circle will be having their Quarterly “Noisy Mite” offering.

Zion's sewing ladies "wrapped up" the summer work by assembling personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief and other local agencies. They wrapped two bars of soap, a toothbrush, a comb, and a file clipper in a bath towel for one project. They boxed up over 500 rolled bandages for Global Health ministries which after sent to Minnesota are distributed to third world countries. The VBS kids rolled the bandages.

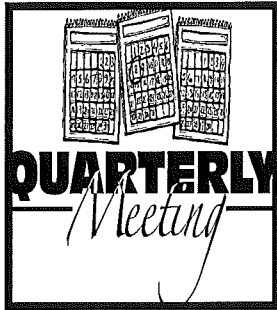
The final count for tying quilts this summer at VBS was 47. Twenty one of these are being taken to Camp Okoboji this week and will be loaded on the Orphan Grain Truck for national and world-wide distribution. This was the most tied weekly number of quilts for a project that started in 1993 and to date the kids have tied 756 quilts during their craft time. An added aid this year was the "Holey Guide" which consisted of a 60" x 80" sheet of polyester knit with holes spaced every ten inches to indicate where the tie needed to be made. This made the work even faster so that they tied 12 quilts in one day! The job goes quicker with two or three workers under the quilt frames to push the needle back up. Six other quilts were given to the TAP agency and another six to another local needy group.

The sewing room is getting a new look as Diane Schroeder has started painting the walls. Another project for the VBS kids was to sponge paint book bags that Spencer Owen will take on his next mission trip.





In the busy times we are currently in, handling the finances of our congregation is requiring more and more work. In an effort to save our financial people time we ask that you consider an old idea, that of the Simply Giving Program. To refresh your memory, Simply Giving is a program where once a week, once a month, or twice a month, your offering is automatically deducted from your checking account and automatically deposited into the churches account. All you will need to do is once a week (or whatever you choose) is to record the amount in your check register. That is all there is to it. The amount is set by you and doesn't change unless you request it to be changed or discontinued. Special services like Advent, Lent, Christmas, etc are **NOT** automatically deducted and we would encourage you to use your offering envelopes for those services just like in the past. For each person our Financial Secretary has to handle 52 envelopes and bookkeeping entries per year, and when you multiply that by approximately 275 envelope numbers, that is a significant amount of work that could be avoided by using the Simply Giving Program. An additional bonus would be that our giving throughout the year would be more consistent. We prayerfully ask that you consider making this small change that would be of big help. To learn more about this program, please contact the church office



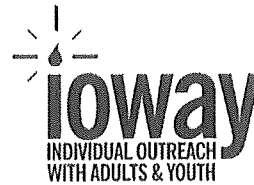
The Quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 10th following our morning worship service



The Westside Public Library is offering a Summer Reading Program on Thursday nights starting July 7th @ 6:30 pm.

July 7th  
July 14th  
July 21st  
July 28th  
Aug 4th

## IOWAY and LERT on the Move



### Haiti Mission Trip

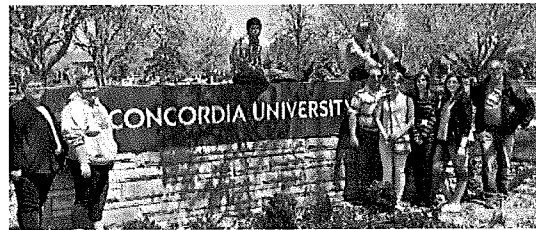


Last month I shared that sixteen suitcases filled with various items were collected and would be on their way to Haiti. My van was relieved when the suitcases were unloaded in Seward, NE. The muscles of eight college students from Concordia University, with the leadership of Spencer Owen, later delivered the precious cargo as they journeyed to Haiti for a week of amazing adventures. The items that were in Iowa a month ago are now being

enjoyed by God's people in Haiti. That is amazing to me!

### Prospective CUNE students from IDW

Six Iowa District West high school students, along with four parents, enjoyed visiting the Concordia campus. They arrived the night before their "college visit day" and were treated to a discussion of what to expect in college and a tour of several dorms. The next day, the students experienced chapel, a campus tour, a college class, and they visited with current students and professors while enjoying the hospitality of Concordia.



Following the day's visit, they joined current Concordia students from Iowa District West for free pizza at Godfather's in Seward. Every college student enjoys free pizza, but the evening was even better when Concordia President Dr. Brian Friedrich, his wife Laurie, and Professor John Mehl joined the group.

### Joy in Ministry Scholarship Banquet

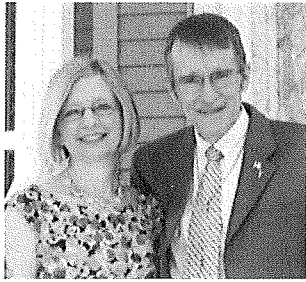


Fast forward to June 5 when many of the current Concordia students from Iowa District West attended the Joy in Ministry Banquet held in Denison. They came to thank the many donors who faithfully

contribute to show support and to help the students with college expenses. A delicious meal was provided by LCEF - Carole White. The meal was followed by an inspiring message by President Brian Friedrich and Spencer Owen.



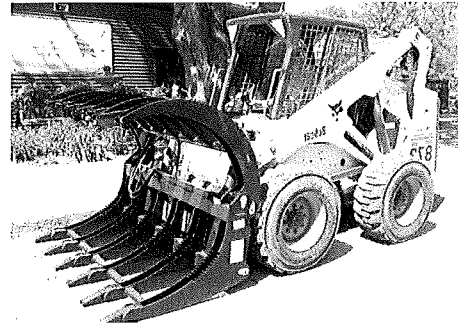
## New ETCH Coordinators



Cheryl and Larry Olofson of Boone are the new coordinators for ETCH (Education To Change Haiti). ETCH is the IOWAY program that enables people to sponsor children in Haiti. I'd like to extend a big thank you to Patti Anderson of Gowrie for all the work she did as the coordinator for the past four years. To sponsor or renew the sponsorship of a child, please contact Larry and Cheryl Olofson at [cjo@q.com](mailto:cjo@q.com).

## LERT Preparation and Awareness

Camp Okoboji is now the proud owner of a grapppler, thanks to an Iowa District West mission grant and a Camp fund raiser. Bruce Gamble is the designated operator. Bruce and the grapppler plan to help anytime a LERT team is called to action after a disaster. Please contact me immediately when you know of a need where our LERT team can respond.



Summer is the time for parades. A great way to bring awareness to the LERT outreach is to enter a LERT trailer in your local parade. If you are interested in having a LERT trailer in your parade, please contact me and I will share ideas on how to make it easy, simple and valuable. Trinity Lutheran Church in Jefferson had a fun time handing out 500 bags containing LERT information and goodies as they were part of the annual Bell Tower parade.

Join IOWAY on Facebook! Like our page and stay updated on IOWAY  
<https://www.facebook.com/iowaymissions>

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Jefferson, IA 50129  
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[ellie.menz@idwlcms.org](mailto:ellie.menz@idwlcms.org)

# HELP WANTED

## Please collect backpacks

Deadline is July 25 to allow time for distribution



Indian Reservation in Navajo,  
New Mexico  
Pastor Tim Norton, Lutheran Indian  
Ministries, shared a need for backpacks  
and school supplies for children on the  
Navajo Indian Reservation.

Appalachia/Lewisburg,  
West Virginia

IOWAY (Individual Outreach With  
Adults and Youth) is involved with  
many outreaches in various commu-  
nities. One of the ministries is to  
provide backpacks and school sup-  
plies to children who do not have  
paper, pencils or basic school sup-  
plies.

Please donate NEW backpacks and  
supplies for the following three  
outreaches.

Monroe Elementary School in  
Des Moines, Iowa

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran  
Church has a member who is a 5<sup>th</sup>  
grade teacher at Monroe. Last year  
this teacher had six different lan-  
guages spoken in her classroom.  
English is not the primary language.  
Also, she and the principal at Mon-  
roe have requested our presence  
during August registration to give  
backpacks and school supplies to  
families in need. (See attached sheet  
for additional information.)

USED backpacks and bags can be do-  
nated to the Omaha outreach.

“Takin’ it to the Streets” for home-  
less in Omaha, Nebraska

Bobby Doefner shared the need for  
backpacks and/or duffle bags for the  
homeless to carry their belongings.  
Consider a collection of good used bags  
at the end of the school year.

Ship supplies or send gift cards directly  
to the outreach of your choice (contact  
Ellie Menz for the address), deliver to  
Iowa District West office in Fort  
Dodge, or contact one of the IOWAY  
Coordinators listed under IOWAY at  
[www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org).



### Suggestions

- Ask friends and family to donate items
- Promote within your church's organizations
- Involve Sunday school classes
- Connect with VBS as a mission project
- Designate as an LWML in-gathering
- Consider applying for the \$2500 Action Team money, if you are a Thrivent member



To save shipping costs, gift cards and/or  
monetary donations are also appreciated.

Make checks payable  
to IOWAY Backpacks

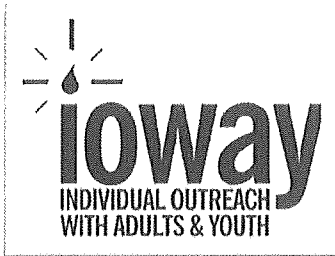
Send to:  
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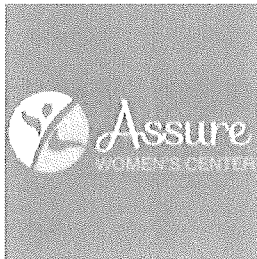
THANK YOU  
VERY MUCH!



- Crayons—16 or 24 count
- Backpacks—new
- Spiral notebooks
- Pink pearl erasers
- 6" and 12" rulers
- #2 lead pencils
- Small calculators—new or used
- Magic markers
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Colored pencils



## Omaha Servant Event August 5-7, 2016



Serving others in the Omaha area begins on Friday, August 5 at 3:30 PM at the Assure Women's Center. We will tour the center and deliver baby clothes and baby items.

We will then help serve the evening meal to the homeless at "Takin' It To The Streets" Mission.

On Saturday, August 6, we will volunteer at Open Door Mission in the morning.



### Open Door Mission

*Breaking the Cycle of Homelessness and Poverty*



### Heartland Hope MISSION

In the afternoon, we will serve at the Heartland Hope Mission.

On Sunday, August 7, we will attend church, enjoy a meal together and then head home.

Cost for the weekend is \$150 which includes two nights' lodging and all meals. Please register before July 15. (Cost is \$50 if you don't need lodging.) Transportation will be arranged after July 15 when we know the locations of the participants. Minimum age is 16.

### IOWAY – Omaha Registration: 2016

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Current School Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Adult T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Home congregation and city \_\_\_\_\_

I will provide own transportation \_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to have others ride with me \_\_\_\_\_  
I need transportation \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this completed form along with a check made payable to IOWAY-Omaha Mission to:

Ellie Menz

807 W. South Street

Jefferson, IA 50129

515-370-1159

[ellie.menz@idwlcms.org](mailto:ellie.menz@idwlcms.org)



## School Supplies

Backpack (must fit a 3 ring notebook)  
Crayons 24 count  
Glue Sticks  
Elmer's white glue - 4 oz  
Scissors (Fiskars)  
#2 pencils sharpened (Ticonderga)  
Black thick dry erase markers  
Highlighter  
Large pink eraser  
Thick markers 8 count washable Crayola Classics  
Colored pencils  
School supply box  
Zippered supply pouch  
Pocket folders no-prongs  
Folder with pockets and prongs  
Spiral notebook wide line  
Notebook paper  
1" binder with clear window sleeve  
Calculator (pocket- basic)  
Post It Notes (3x3)  
Hand held sharpener  
Kleenex box  
Hand Sanitizer



# Backpack Blessing Monroe School Des Moines, IA

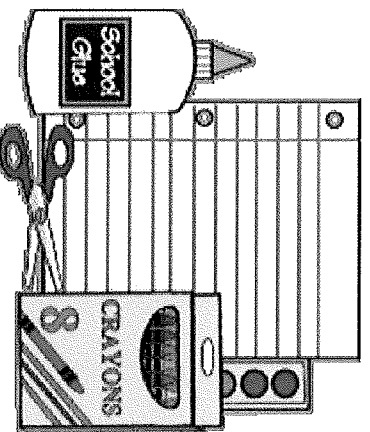
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church  
3900 Ashworth Rd, West Des Moines, IA 50265  
515-225-1623 Ext 21

**Monroe School** (2250 30<sup>th</sup> St.) is a Des Moines Elementary School (Kindergarten to grade 5) with 80% of the population being of diverse ethnicity (Black, Hispanic and Asian). Of this population, 90% of the students qualify for free or reduced lunches.

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church has a member who is a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at this school. Last year this teacher had six different languages spoken in her classroom. English is not the primary language. This teacher and the principal at Monroe have requested our presence during August registration to give backpacks and school supplies to families in need.

This summer we would like to partner with other congregations and organizations to:

- Collect and give out a minimum of 100-125 backpacks and school supplies to Monroe School families for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Make sure each backpack is personally blessed by a pastor or church staff.



Through the end of July, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church will be the collecting place for backpacks and school supplies. A list of needed school supplies is on the back of this brochure.

During the early weeks of August all supplies will be counted and organized. Additional purchased will be made with donated money.

During the week of August 14, volunteers will help families gather their needed supplies into backpacks and all backpacks will be blessed. The exact dates and times will be announced.

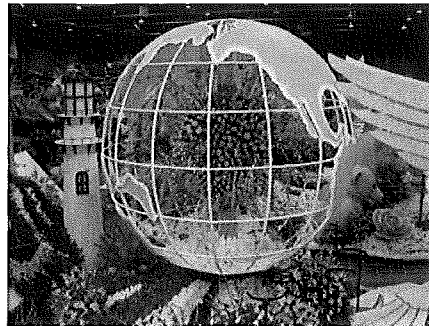
How can you help?

1. Pray for the students, families, staff, and volunteers at Monroe School. Pray for the success of this backpack ministry.
2. Become a partner in this ministry by collecting school supplies, backpacks, or accepting donations for this ministry. (Make check payable to SOTV – earmark Backpack Blessing)
3. Volunteer your time before registration to count and organize supplies or shop for needed items with monetary donations. OR, volunteer at the school during registration when backpacks/supplies are distributed.
4. Contact Marilyn Shults for more information. [Marilyn@sotv-wdm.org](mailto:Marilyn@sotv-wdm.org) or 515-225-1623 Ext 21.

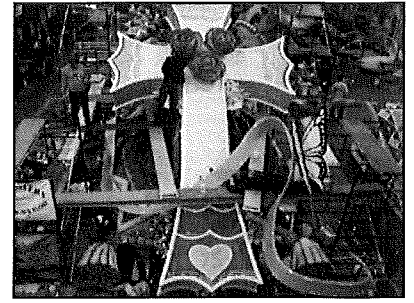
# “Ring In” 2017 in California



Make Music unto the Lord-2004



Family of God-2005



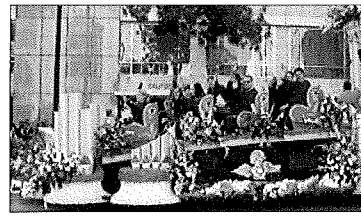
Miracle of Faith-2006



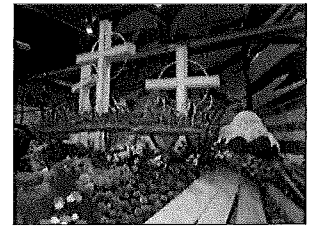
God's Great Nature-2007



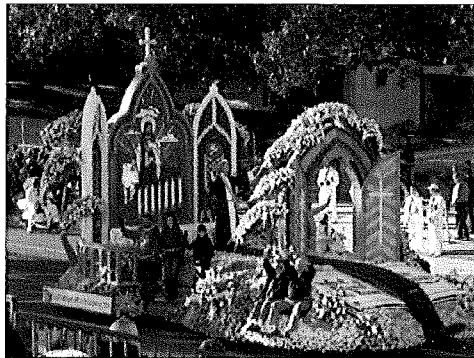
Passport to Celebrations-2008



Alleluia Chorus-2009



10 Commandments-2010



Lutheran Hour Float-2011

YOU ARE INVITED!

December 29, 2016-  
January 5, 2017



Lutheran Hour Float-2012

## WHY go on this mission trip?

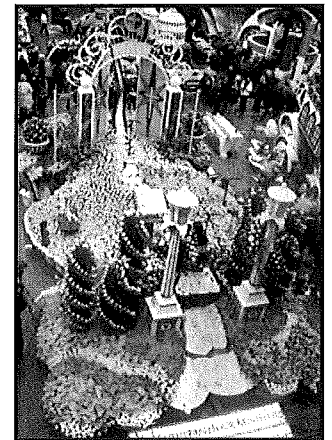
- Puts faith into action
- Life changing and faith building
- Decorate the only Christian float for the famous Rose Parade

## WHO can participate?

- 18 years old and over (Call and inquire about possible exceptions)
- Suggestion: Make it a family affair and create memories. Invite your parents and/or grandparents

## PURPOSE of trip? (Activities will vary)

- Decorate Lutheran Hour and other floats for the Rose Parade.
- Enjoy a week of serving God and others in sunny California
- Enjoy the Rose Parade 'in person' on Colorado Boulevard
- Serve the homeless on Skid Row



2013

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**WHEN** is the trip?

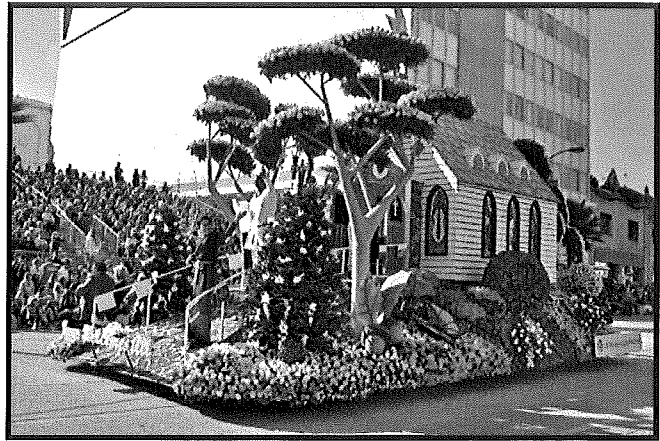
- December 29, 2016– January 5, 2017
- NOTE CHANGE in date from other years. The parade will be on January 2 since 1<sup>st</sup> is a Sunday.

**WHAT** is the cost?

- \$1,495-- Includes air fare, 7 days lodging, ground transportation and some meals. (Lodging based on 4-5 in a room. For a more private room, inquire immediately and we will try to accommodate. Rates vary with fewer per room)

**HOW** do you register?

- Complete the registration form
- Pay \$100 deposit. (if positions are filled, \$100 will be returned)



Jesus Welcomes All-2014

# Welcome 2017 in Sunny California



Name (as it appears on your driver's license) \_\_\_\_\_

Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date (airline requirement) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current grade \_\_\_\_\_ (Adult) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ (please print clearly)

Home congregation and city \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat shirt size (indicate one size larger than normal) \_\_\_\_\_

Consent: I agree to participate and cooperate with group activities on this IOWAY mission trip.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

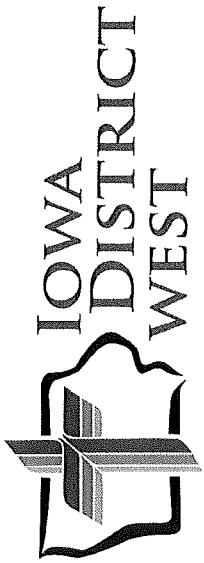
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send this registration form and \$100 payable to "IOWAY-Pasadena Trip" to:

Ellie Menz  
 807 W. South  
 Jefferson, IA 50129  
 (515)370-1159



Lutheran Hour float and IOWAY team 2015



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD

## Planting Together

July 2016

409 Kenyon Road, Suite B — Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501  
515-576-7666 Fax 515-576-2323 [www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org)  
Contact email: [sue.light@idwlcms.org](mailto:sue.light@idwlcms.org)

On a Mission to Support Christ's Mission!

### Let the Good Times Roll!

Ah, summer! One of my favorite times of the year. It's a time when more people get outside for fun activities like picnics, golfing, biking, relaxing and just having a good time. Summer also happens to be a prime time to be on mission with Jesus!

Jesus still invites us today to "follow Him" and be fishers of men (and women and children!). One of the best ways to get started is to "love our neighbor" or as Pastor and author Greg Finke puts it, "enjoy your neighbor!"

To be a missionary doesn't require you to add two more meetings a week to your busy schedule, to read another book (but keep reading the Bible!), or to plan multiple activities every week. To be a missionary simply requires a child of God to be aware of the opportunities, love (or enjoy) your neighbor, and if the opportunity presents itself be ready to give the reason for the hope that you have — with gentleness and respect (1 Peter 3:15).

So have some fun right in your own neighborhood. Throw a party for national hot dog day (July 23!), stop and chat with your neighbor while out on a walk, invite your neighbor over for cold drinks and snacks, just have some fun! As you do so, it puts you in a great position to learn more about your neighbor and their relationship with Jesus. Let the good times roll!

If you need more ideas, there are 30 ideas on pages 149-151 of the book, "Joining Jesus on His Mission." Contact the District office for a copy of the book or simply the list!

Rev. Mark Gerken, Executive Assistant  
[mark.gerken@idwlcms.org](mailto:mark.gerken@idwlcms.org) | 515-576-7666

### Someone hospitalized in Sioux City or Des Moines?

Call 712-212-5482 (Sioux City) or 515-707-9195 (Des Moines, Chaplain Jim Brammeier) and a pastor will visit and report back to you as an extension of your ministry.

### Camps and Campgrounds!

As your family travels this summer, keep in mind that there are lodgings available at Lutheran camps around the country. To find one near your destination, visit <http://nloma.org/campdirectory.html>. Contact camps to see if there are cabins, campgrounds, or hotel rooms available!

### Call for Nominations

Iowa District West of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Executive Assistant for Education, Youth, and Family Life. Applicants must be on the roster of the Synod and must have a minimum of ten years' experience in professional church work, a major portion of this experience having been in the parish. The Assistant shall be appointed by the District President and called by the Board of Directors for three years, subject to annual review. He/she shall be accountable to the District President and the Board of Directors through the Education and Youth Committees. Primary job responsibilities include, but are not limited to: execute the policy decisions of the Education and Youth Committees; advise the Education and Youth Committees on a strategic plan for those areas of ministry; provide consulting and training services to congregations and schools. (Job description and nomination forms are available on District Web page at [www.idw.org](http://www.idw.org).)

### Around the District

The "new" page in *The Messenger* titled "Around the District" will include information from congregations/circuits regarding guest speakers, events, or special occasions. If you'd like to invite others in the District, let us know and we will share it "Around the District." Send information to Sue ([sue.light@idwlcms.org](mailto:sue.light@idwlcms.org)) at the District office.

### Calendar of Events

July 4...Independence Day, District Office Closed

July 9-14...Synod Convention, Milwaukee

July 16-20...National Youth Gathering, New Orleans

For more information on Iowa District West activities, view *The Messenger* at [www.idwlcms.org/publications.php](http://www.idwlcms.org/publications.php).





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**Upcoming Events**

- July 3 Omelet Brunch
- July 3-9 July 4<sup>th</sup> Family Retreat
- July 10-16 Jr. High Week
- July 14-17 Joy Camp 2
- July 17-23 Concordia Cub Week
- July 24-30 Youth Week
- July 31-Aug 6 Family Retreat I

**Thank You!**

Thank you to all who have come to support Camp Okoboji at the Omelet Brunches! Your support is greatly appreciated! Check the website for future events!

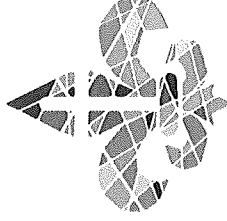
**There is Room for Your Family!**

Registrations for all events at Camp Okoboji in 2016 are listed online at [www.campokoboji.org](http://www.campokoboji.org). July 4<sup>th</sup> Family Retreat, Family Retreat I and Family Retreat II still has space available! Register today! Camp Okoboji wants you to have "A friendly, safe, refreshing and relaxing Christian experience – An exceptional value for you and your family" this year. Should you have a problem registering online please call the camp office at 1 (866) 449-3326. Thank you for registering early.

# Friends Grow Camp

**Campership Money Available!**

We never want money to be an issue for any of our camps! This includes Youth Camps and Family Retreats! If you would like more information contact the Camp office and they will direct you to where there funds available!



## In Christ Alone

*We Stand*

**DISCOVER Campaign Update**

**DISCOVER: Close to reality!**

At nearly \$1,300,000, the DISCOVER CAMPAIGN OKOBOJI appeal is close to reaching the first \$1,400,000 goal. Key plans are now underway. CRAFTS Building Removal Auction- On Sunday, Aug. 14 at 3:00 pm. Come and bid on a bench, window, chair etc. We want to reclaim as much of the building as possible. Ground Breaking Ceremony- Saturday Sept. 3 at 11:00 This will kick off the BBQ Cook-off.

Check the camp website: [campokoboji.org](http://campokoboji.org) for more details

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE BBQ Cook-off**

**September 3, 2016 11:00 am – 3:00**

**DISCOVER Fund-Raiser and Ground Breaking Ceremony**

Make plans to enjoy Okoboji over Labor Day Weekend. Join Camp Okoboji for an amazing lunch. Choose your favorite BBQ! There will also be side dishes, chips, and cold drinks! Details are on the Camp website!

There will be fun activities for the whole family. Join this festive event and help us get DISCOVER off to a great start.

**DISCOVER Prayer: July** (Each month Camp Okoboji will be sending a prayer focusing on DISCOVERing some aspect of its ministry. Feel free to use this prayer as you see fit. Thank you.)

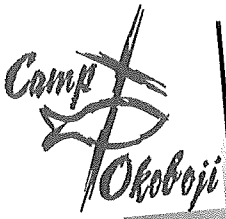
Lord Jesus, you came to earth and were born into a human family. You know the joys and challenges of youth and family relationships. This month Camp Okoboji will be hosting camps for youth and families for which we give You thanks. May all who attend these camps DISCOVER the strength and hope that You give to those who stand In Christ Alone. We especially remember those who will be attending the Family retreats, Junior High Week, JOY Camp, Concordia Cub Week and the High School Youth week. What blessings they will DISCOVER as they encounter Jesus at the Lake! We also pray for your continued blessing upon the Discover CAMPAign and all who are participating in it. May this campaign be a blessing not only to those who are participating today but to those who will benefit for generations yet to come. Together we stand In Christ Alone and it is in His name that we pray. Amen.

### **FACEBOOK!!**

If you are on Facebook go to Facebook and like our page!  
[www.facebook.com/CampOkoboji-LCMS](http://www.facebook.com/CampOkoboji-LCMS) Watch for upcoming events. See pictures of events and more!

### **Camp Staff Contact Information!**

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July 2016 (Please Copy, Post, and Share)

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Adventure Camp, Pastors Cont. Ed.

Don't Miss Out. Sign Up Today!



## In Christ Alone

Programs, retreats, and special events offer many opportunities to experience "Jesus at the Lake."

The website has more info on program offerings. Don't delay, register today!



### Paddle Your Way To Camp! Most Summer Camp Programs Still Ahead: July & August.

- ◆ **Family Retreat Weeks (3):** Programmed by special speakers and summer staff, these week-long camps are amazing.  
July 3-9 \* July 31-Aug. 6 \* Aug. 7-13

**Youth Camps:** There are several weeks for youth to enjoy camp, make friends, and grow closer in their walk with Jesus Christ. (Arranged by date, please check grade)

- ◆ **Minneboji Youth Camp**  
Grades: 4-9 Date: June 26-July 2
- ◆ **Junior High Week**  
Grades: 6-8 Date: July 10-16
- ◆ **Concordia Cub Week**  
Grades: 3-6 Date: July 17-23
- ◆ **High School Youth Week**  
Grades: 8-12 Date: July 24-30

### Don't Forget:

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:45am  
Memorial Day-Labor Day Weekends  
Omelet Brunches: 9:30am to 1pm  
1st Sundays (May-Nov.)

### YOUR Participation & Support Needed!

We ask our Camp Friends for the following:

1. Pray for the success of Camp Okoboji.
2. Attend Camp programs and events.
3. Support Camp verbally and financially.
4. Share Camp with others and invite them.

**Friends Grow Camp**

## In the Spotlight

A Busy Summer!

**July 3: Omelet Brunch**  
Mmm good, you can almost taste 'em now

**June 26-July 2: Minneboji**  
Youth Camp Cost \$360

**July 3-9 4th of July Family Retreat**  
Take a family vacation like none other!  
Speaker: Rev. Jeff Pulse

**July 10-16 Junior High Week**  
An amazing week of fun, friendships and spiritual growth. A key age to enjoy camp.

**July 17-23 Concordia Cub Week**  
Join the tradition! Become a Cubby!

**July 24-30 High School Youth Week**  
One of best High School Events. . .period!

**July 31-Aug. 6 Family Retreat I**  
A great time for family togetherness  
Speaker: Rev. Bill Marier

**Aug. 7-13 Family Retreat II**  
Family growth, personal and spiritual.  
Speaker: Rev. Aaron Kuehn



JOY Campers enjoying the lake. You can too!



Enjoying a great game of 9-Square. One of many awesome camp games for your enjoyment!



## Discover CAMPAign Okoboji Updates

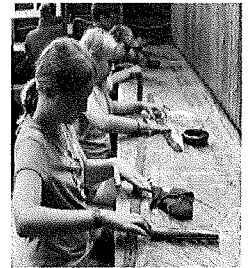
Campaign Nears \$1,300,000 Mark  
of \$1,400,000 Goal!

\$250,000 Matching Gift Challenge Status:  
Over \$70,000 Raised so far!

Camp Moves Forward  
With Building Plans!

### Aug. 14 Auction of Crafts building and its contents 3pm

A chance to take home a piece of history: windows, benches, tables, doors, chairs, and more. Calling all Re-Claimers— wood flooring, tongue & groove siding, knotty pine paneling, exterior lap siding. Note: 1 week to remove lumber.



Oh, the memories!

**Sept. 3 Ground Breaking Ceremony**  
**To Kick Off the BBQ Cook-Off: 11-3**  
Make Camp Okoboji part of your Labor Day Weekend plans! Enjoy a festive lunch with the BBQ Cook-Off. Lots of family activities to enjoy and plenty of BBQ to sample.

The BBQ Cook-Off will begin at 11 am with a groundbreaking ceremony for DISCOVER.

For More Info. / Fliers / Schedules  
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# July Birthdays & Anniversaries

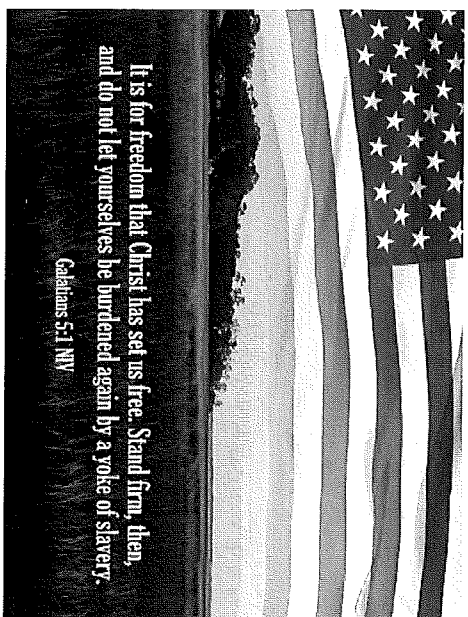
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					1 Matthew McNelly Mark & Diane Schurke Dennis & Diamme Vetter	2 Ashley Eggers Michael Hoffman Jill Koenc Mary Ann Musfeldt
3 Scott Linde	4 Corey Erps	5 Dawn Luejje Gary & Jane Vetter	6 Tyler Ehlers	7 Andrea Gronau Betty Klink Fred & Rodonna Neumann	8 Devon Ehlers Carolyn Sander	9 Colton Heithoff Steve Koch Joel Clarae Mumm
10 Avery Fink Nolan Schmitz	11 Connie Bradshaw	12 Jane Petersen Darin & Donna Schurke	13 Sophia Koch Dianne Vetter	14 Jayda Eneboe Gladys Noelck	15 Zelda Anderson	16 Dan Wittrock
17	18 Gene Kuhl Jay Luejje Randy Stoelk Rick Vetter	19	20 Brad Maasen	21	22 Steve Leiting	23
24 Kathy Kraus	25 Emily Bruhn Mark & Donna Rickers	26	27 Kevin Koencck Lane Kraus Dennis Vetter	28 Wanda Erps Joe Ewoldt Dawn Melton Nick & Krista Koch	29 Doug Gronau	30 Lola Ehlers
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# JULY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 9:00 DW/HC	4	5	6	7 9:00 Ladies Aid	8	9 6:00 DW/HC
10 9:00 DW 10:00 Voter's Meeting	11	12	13 9:30 Bible Study	14	15	16
17 9:00 DW/HC	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 9:00 DW	25	26	27 Pastor gone----	28 -----	29 ----	30 -----
31 9:00 DW	1 Pastor gone	2				

## Ushers

<i>Keith Vetter</i>	<i>Rick Vetter</i>
<i>Jeff Luetje</i>	<i>Jim Luetje</i>
<i>Kim Brockman</i>	<i>Michael Brockman</i>
<i>Gene Thiedeman</i>	<i>Mark Rickers</i>
<i>Rob Klink</i>	



It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

*Galatians 5:1 NIV*

## PARISH CIRCLE

*Donna Rickers & Marilyn Mumm*

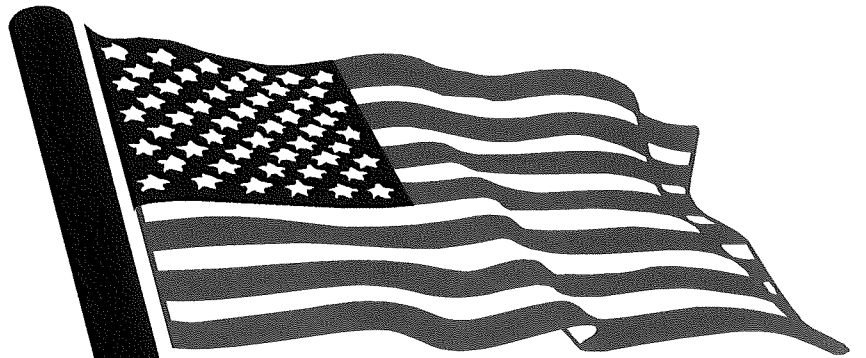
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