

# Zion's News and Notes

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Mark Schimmel, Pastor

July 2014

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July ... let that sink in just a bit ...

Half the year is past, kids are out of school, summer vacations are planned - or in some cases already taken.

Summer is in full swing - and in our case this year, summer is a season of change.

Our oldest daughter, Melody turned 18 on June 21 and is out of the house (at least for the moment) on a slightly extended break from school until the end of the year. Our adventures in the mental health system with our middle child, Ashley, have been somewhere between heartbreaking and exasperating. We are still working hard on getting her the services that she needs.

I could go on, but that would just seem like complaining ... and that's not my point.

Our little family microcosm of life is just a snapshot ... the whole world goes on around us and changes and problems that happen are not uncommon ... in fact they are an important part of life. They can be positive things ... and where they are not obviously positive, the problems that we face can be opportunities to make needed changes.

And then there are times when problems are just problems.

There are times when there's really no way to sugar coat it ... no making lemonade out of lemons.

That's life sometimes.

Fortunately we have a Savior who is with us during good times and in bad. Romans 8:28 is often quoted in dealing with troubles;

*And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.*

But if you just take that verse and don't think about it in the larger context of scripture you are left with a hope for something that might not happen on your timeline.

Paul is talking about this within the context of the glory that awaits for us ... there is nothing here about everything having a rosy outcome in the short term. Paul puts this in context a few verses later when he writes;

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? 36 As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Notice that Paul doesn't say anything about sidestepping tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, danger, or sword. No. In fact he states that "... in all these things" we won't be separated "... from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

For Paul, and for us as Christians, the greatest good that can be worked for us is our life in Christ. Our assurance is in the love of Christ and the promise of our life with him for eternity.

It's with *that* assurance that I say to you now; enjoy your summer vacation if you have one, safe travels if you are going anywhere, drink lots of water, use a good sunscreen, and remember to abide in the Word of God.

See you in church!

*Pastor Mark*

## ZION'S TIDBITS

OOPS! I goofed! Congratulations to Melody Schimmel on making the Honor Roll every single six weeks and on graduating from High School. Way to Go Melody!



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Zion is planning to hold Vacation Bible School during the week of July 13 - 17. It will be held in the evening from 5:00 to 7:30. As we have done in the past, the children will be divided into age groups and will move as a group from one station to another.

There are plenty of opportunities for everyone to volunteer to help us out and to help at the station of your choice, or to help provide the food and snacks. We need volunteers to assist in storytelling, food, crafts, music and video. Please help us, as this is an important ministry in our church, not only for our Zion children but other children in our community and the surrounding communities.

Please help us make this a fun and learning time for our children. WE NEED YOU!

If you are interested in helping in ANY WAY please contact Jenni Cline at 254-965-2434 or email to [grantc@embarqmail.com](mailto:grantc@embarqmail.com). Thank You.



What: Women's Afternoon Circle

Where: Zion Lutheran Church  
Education Building

When: Tuesday, July 15, 2014

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Bible Study will be on the Third Tuesday of each month. All women are welcome and encouraged to join us.



If you have any tidbits of information that needs to be included in the newsletter. Please give articles to me before or after Church or slip it under my office door in the Education Building. The Deadline for the August newsletter will be on Sunday, July 27, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.

Leslie Limmer  
Zion Lutheran Church Secretary

**Zion Lutheran Church is on Facebook and now we have a new website [www.zionpriddy.com](http://www.zionpriddy.com).**



**July Birthdays:**

- 6 Randison Kunkel
- 7 Jerry Schwartz
- 8 Kelli Wilburn
- 9 Brayden Tiemann
- 10 Ben Tiemann
- 12 Codi Perkins  
Evelyn Riewe  
Diana McCarty  
Gary Goodlander
- 13 Courtney Nicholson
- 15 Sandi Wagner  
Jodi Schuman
- 16 Bailey Montandon
- 17 Vernell Feist  
William Eilers
- 18 Lawrence Jensen  
Bradley Shelton  
Amy Huddleston
- 19 Lee Roy Wagner
- 22 Stuart Peters  
LaVerne Pederson
- 23 Heather Dodd
- 24 Linda Greathouse  
Debbie Tiemann  
Julia Pax
- 28 Ashley Seider
- 29 Caitlyn Cagle  
Mitchel Hopper
- 31 Gwen Eilers  
Ciara Eilers

**Anniversaries:**

- 1 Anthony & Karen Tyson  
Harry Wayne & Tammy Cloud
- 3 Brady & Jennifer Tyson
- 6 Luke & Jodi Schuman
- 9 Stanton & Jenna Marwitz
- 15 Jr. & Debbie Tiemann

- 18 Alton & Cherline Drueckhammer
- 24 Allen & Linda Greathouse
- 26 Michael & Melanie Kunkel



**JULY SERVICE TEAMS**

Head Usher: Melanie Holmsley

July 6, 2014, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Flowers: Margarette Tiemann  
 Acolyte: Aris Shelton  
 Crucifer: Rylie Padgett  
 Lector: Pam Pope  
 Communion Asst: Shacky Tiemann  
 Greeter: Dorothy Bosse  
 Usher Team: Council

July 13, 2014 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Sunday/  
 Contemporary Service  
 Flowers: Truman & Deanie Marwitz in  
 honor of Anthony & Karen Tyson's  
 Anniversary  
 Acolyte: Erich Eilers  
 Lector: Debbie Tiemann  
 Greeter: Kia McCarty  
 Usher Team: Bradley & Josie Shelton

July 20, 2014 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Flowers: Rubie Haile  
 Acolyte: Kyler Shelton  
 Crucifer: Bryce Cline  
 Lector: Carmen Schimmel  
 Communion Asst: Caroline Schwartz  
 Greeter: Mildred Peters  
 Usher Team: Youth

July 27, 2014 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Flowers: ????????  
 Acolyte: Kendel Hopper  
 Lector: Mildred Peters  
 Greeter: Vernell Feist  
 Usher Team: Council





Where: Zion Lutheran Church  
Priddy, Texas

Time: 10:30 A.M.

Date: July 13, 2014

Please come and join us. We would be glad to  
have you.



### **ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER TRAINING**

For all the new acolytes that will be lighting the candles for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. There will be a Acolyte training immediately following Church on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. Please make plans to stay a few minutes after church. For those who cannot be there we will try to train you at a later date.



## **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Zion will be celebrating it's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on October 19<sup>th</sup> of this year. We have a list of committees and their chairpersons: Anyone wishing to help serve on these committees please contact the Chairperson for each committee.

Cookbook Committee: Leslie Limmer  
325-966-3590

Pictorial Directory: Pastor Mark 325-451-5148 &

Doris Crawford 325-966-3326

Food Committee: Carmen Schimmel  
325-966-3566

Registration Committee: Adaline Bufe  
325-966-3513

Setup Committee: Chairperson needed

Cleanup Committee: Chairperson needed

Parking Committee: Chairperson needed

Please help us make the Anniversary Celebration memorable.

Thank You,

Zion Church Council



### **Cookbook Committee Meeting**

We will have a cookbook committee meeting on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to look at where we are and make some decisions regarding the cookbook. If you are on the committee please make plans to attend.

Thank You,

Leslie Limmer, Cookbook Chairperson

## Youth needed the 3rd Sunday of the month.

We are needing the youth to help with ushering responsibilities on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The youth that are present in church will be responsible for ushering during offering as well as after the dismissal of church. Please plan on attending to help!



### SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CHURCH

There will be no 9:30 a.m. Sunday School in July and August. See newsletter for Rally Day details September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Children's Church will be all summer long with the exception of July 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be no children's church on July 6<sup>th</sup>. We will resume July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks,

Jenni



### Zion Scholarships

Scholarships were awarded to **Caitlyn Cagle**, **Walker Peters**, and **Kayla Bufe** on Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

A special thank you to all the people that have contributed to this fund by giving memorials or any other way. It is a much needed way to help our young people with their college tuition and expenses.



## YOUTH GROUP

The youth group will be resuming their meetings on Wednesday, July 23, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The group has discussed going on fun trips, doing community work, going on mission trips, and holding fundraisers. Some of the ideas that we have come up with are:

### **Go to a Rangers Game Go to Six Flags in Dallas**

Make care baskets for sick children in Temple Hospital and spending a day reading to them and playing games with them.

Help the Santa Workshop at Ft. Hood to help the children of our military personnel get Christmas presents.

Hold a family game night with a dinner.

Maybe have a summer carnival for the community.

We meet Wednesday evenings from 6-8 p.m.

We are going to do great things and I look forward to doing this with our youth - they are awesome!

If you are a rising 7<sup>th</sup> grader through a just graduated High School Senior, come and join us and bring your friends!

Carmen Schimmel



To My Church Family:



Thank you for all your prayers, visits, cards, and calls following the injury to my leg. They were all a great source of comfort and encouragement to me during my recovery.

Caring friends are one of God's richest blessings. I have been truly blessed! God is good!

With Christian Love,

Nell Helmcamp



MEMORIALS RECEIVED:

- In loving memory of George Schuman:
  - Cemetery Fund ..... \$20.00
  - Memorial Fund ..... \$75.00
- In loving memory of Wilford Schuster:
  - Memorial Fund ..... \$50.00
- In loving memory of Arlene Schlee:
  - Cemetery Fund ..... \$75.00
- In loving memory of Michele Hartley:
  - Scholarship Fund ..... \$100.00



Please keep the following people in your prayers this month:

Joy and Thanksgiving:  
Everyone celebrating birthdays & anniversaries

Strength and/or healing:

- Victor Limmer
- Melvin Pax
- Gary Schlee
- Melvin Eilers, Sr.
- Karen Tiemann
- George Roberts
- Travis Tiemann
- Truman Marwitz
- Judy Pax
- Kenneth Stegemoller
- Sherry Gattis
- Cade Perkins
- Henry Meyer
- Carson Padgett
- Esta Marwitz, Evelyn Riewe and Ethel Schoen, nursing home in Comanche
- Gladys Struempfer, Wilfred Struempfer, and Opal Schrank Shut-Ins
- Charlene Tiemann, nursing home in Goldthwaite

For all of Zion's non-members dealing with medical problems

Compassion and peace in grief:

Family of:

- Paul Isbell
- Michele Hartley

those grieving the loss of a loved one

Wisdom in leading:

- President of the U.S.
- All the leaders of the world

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 6:30 pm Choir Practice	3	4 Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	5
6 10:30 am Holy Communion	7	8 9:00 am Quilting Circle 6:30 pm Cookbook Committee Meeting	9 6:30 pm Choir Practice	10	11	12
13 10:30 am Contemporary Service 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School Starts	14 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School	15 9:00 am Quilting Circle 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School	16 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School	17 5:00 pm Vacation Bible School	18	19
20 10:30 am Worship Service	21	22	23 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:30 pm Choir Practice	24	25	26
27 10:30 am Holy Communion	28	29	30 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:30 pm Choir Practice	31	<b>Notes:</b>	