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THOUGHTS FOR LENT:

by John Stott, p. 156, "Shared Hells" by Peter Kreeft /
Bread and Wine: Readings for Lent and Easter.

I could never myself believe in God, if it were not for the cross. The only God I believe in is the one Nietzsche ridiculed as "God on the Cross." In the real world of pain, who could one worship a God who was immune to it? I have entered many Buddhist temples and stood respectfully before the statue of Buddha, his legs crossed, arms folded, eyes closed, the ghost of a smile playing round his mouth, a remote look on his face, detached from the agonies of the world. But each time after a while I have had to turn away. And in imagination I have turned instead to that lonely, twisted, tortured figure on the cross, nails through hands and feet, back lacerated, limbs wrenched, brow bleeding from thorn pricks, mouth dry and intolerably thirsty, plunged in God-forsaken darkness. That is the God for me! He laid aside his immunity to pain. He entered our world of flesh and blood, tears and death. He suffered for us.



Corrie ten Boom, from the depths of a Nazi death camp, "No matter how deep our darkness, he is deeper still."

A Prayer

Help us to follow you, Lord.

We have grown used to the comfort

of other people's praise.

It is not so easy for us to stand

alone as You did.

Give us courage to go against the crowd,

to die to self-interest

and so to overcome evil in the world today.

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Zion's Mission Statement:

*As a body of believers, created by God,
redeemed by Christ, empowered by the Spirit,
we are called to bear witness
to God's love.*

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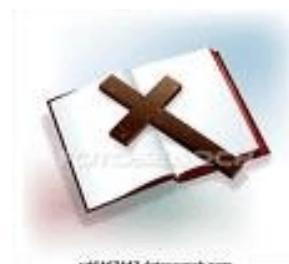
I always call Holy Week the week of details. There are seven services which must be planned and carried out. Each one is different and meaningful and must be done with reverence and awe. The Three Days: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil, lead to Easter. Each has its Scripture, its special meaning. I hope you and your family will make a real effort to attend some of these services during Holy Week. They bring additional meaning to our Lord's suffering and death and prepare us for that "great gettin' up morning" – Easter Sunday.

Palm Sunday (services at 8:30 and 11 a.m.) is March 28th; Maundy Thursday, April 1st; Good Friday, April 2nd; Easter Vigil, April 3rd; Easter Sunday (two services at 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.) April 4th. Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening services are at 7 p.m.

This is a call for: deacons, readers, acolytes and soloists. Please give me a call at 377-3369 or e.mail me at zion@midrivers.com. I need to know who is available.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday and Saturday evenings, Palm Sunday and Easter.

On Palm Sunday, weather-permitting, we will walk around the block with our palm branches, in celebration of the One who rode on to die for us.





Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

The family of Dorothy Paulson would like to thank everyone at Zion for your kind words of comfort and your overwhelming generosity during the sudden loss of our mother. We know that she will be missed by many of you who were at the center of her life for many years.

May the peace which passes all understanding be with you all.

In Christ,
Rane Paulson

Kirsten Svingen Goll. She says "thank you" for all the prayers. She is healing from surgery and much better.

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God's Peace and Love,
Cammy, Zionews Editor ✉

Nurse's Nook from **Carole Dick**

A note about Cholesterol:

When it comes to cholesterol, the total level isn't as predictive of heart disease as what's known as the ratio. To explain, cholesterol is carried in the blood by two different lipoproteins.

The bad one, LDL (think L for lousy), spews the waxy, fat-like

substance in your arteries, gunking them up; the good one, HDL (H for healthy), gathers up cholesterol so it can't clog. If you have some risk for heart disease (family history, high blood pressure, diabetes, smoking), keep your LDL under 100. Otherwise, you're okay aiming for 160; better yet, below 130. Ideally your HDL should be more than 50. Doctors love it when the ratio of LDL to HDL is less than 2 to 1. They're tolerant if its 3 to 1. Once you know your total cholesterol numbers, you can work with your Doctor to find the ideal cholesterol ratio.

To improve your ratio: Include soluble fiber in your diet from sources such as oatmeal, kidney beans and apples, aiming for 25 grams a day.



President **Bill & Terri Miller** on your new grandson, **Berkley!**

Berkley Parker was born to **Tammi and Michael Czehura** on February 25

"Congratulations!!!"

Youth News



Not much to report except "95" sub sandwiches were prepared and sold Super Bowl weekend. A record sale to our knowledge! ☺

Unfortunately, no one showed up for the last meeting. ☹

First a reminder of meeting times and days. ☺

The youth groups will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month in the church basement. Youth group will start at 5:30pm for 6th, 7th, & 8th graders and last until 7pm. There will be food provided so parents don't worry about rushing to get the kids fed first. So, please have the courtesy to let us know if you plan on attending. ☺ The high school youth group will meet starting at 6:30pm and last until 8pm. However, this month we are responsible for the Lenten Soup Supper, March 3rd at the Congregational Church. Also, we have been asked to serve the **Annual Sunrise Easter Sunday Breakfast**. This is a tradition enjoyed by many of our longtime members. A chance for us to show our appreciation to the congregation for all their support for our events and trips. Details will be shared as we get closer to the events.

As always if you have any suggestions or questions please call Cheri or Dave at 377-4212.

Gods Blessings

Cheri Weidner, Zion Youth Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL

STORYTELLER NEEDED !!!!

Zion Lutheran Sunday School continues to look for a storyteller. The next unit begins **March 14** and is the **Easter story**. We need a storyteller for **Preschool - 1st grade on March 14** and then again on **March 21** for grades 2-4. The last unit begins **April 11** and is the **creation story**. We would need a storyteller for **Apr. 11 and 18th**. There is a DVD available



for preview and we are willing to help find other resources for you if need be. The story and activity should be about 25 min. long. **If you can help out even one Sunday that would be very helpful and I know the children would enjoy meeting other people in our congregation. Please prayerfully consider this service to our youth. If you can help call Verna Carpenter at 365-4465, Nancy Gierke at 365-7963 or the church office.**

Join Team Zion for Relay for Life

Cancer has touched most of us through family, friends or our own battle. Participating in Relay for Life is an opportunity to support cancer research to help those close to us. An organizational meeting for Team Zion is planned for Thursday, March 11th from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at Zion. If you can not attend the meeting please contact Cami White at 377-2151 or email at bwhite@midrivers.com for registration information.

Thank you



The Education committee would like to thank everyone for the generous donations for our Sweets for the Sweet Bake Sale. The treats donated were wonderful. We are \$400 closer to reaching our goal. Thank you for your continued support for VBS.

Coming up . . .

The Education committee will be preparing and serving soup on March 10th for Lent. If you are available to donate bars, help serve or clean up please contact Cami White at 377-2151 or email at bwhite@midrivers.com. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thanks so much, Cami White

Please let me know if you can help with any of our projects.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT

The mission of the Zion Lutheran Church Endowment is to encourage Christian stewardship by providing an orderly method for receiving and administering gifts bequeathed to the church through wills and other forms of estate planning.

You may ask how I can help support my congregation in the future.

Are there projects and emphases I would like to support with my giving?

Are there financial strategies I can use to increase my giving that will also help me financially?

The Zion Lutheran Church Endowment was established in 1998 to help us answer these questions and to help us support our congregation long into the future, even after we are gone.

An endowment can receive a gift through a number of vehicles, such as an outright gift, an annuity, a bequest in your will and other ways. You will want to visit with your accountant to determine the best strategies for your giving. Gifts of any amount are welcome. All will serve to strengthen our work together.

The interest from the Endowment will be used to fund special projects and efforts that are not funded through the general budget. In this way you will help to expand Zion's ministry in new and creative ways.

If you would like more information on the Zion Endowment or if you would like to give a gift please contact the church office at 406-377-3369 or speak with one of the members of the committee.

Gary Kirkpatrick 365-5982; Keith Robinson 377-6368; Gary Lundman 377-5962; Karen Schock 377-5751; Helen Mason 377-2073; Steve Donnelly 377-4278; and Pastor Avis Anderson.



FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR FEBRUARY

Food Bank Sunday is the second Sunday of each month. Staples are always needed.

CHANGE FOR HUNGER

The **February** Change For Hunger, \$ **27.51** was given
to the **Loaves and Fishes**.



**Zion Lutheran
Church Women**

ZLCW Business Meeting
7:00pm on Monday March 1st

Chancel Guild
Wed., March 17th @ 9:00 am

Bible Study Circles:

- Hannah: Tuesday, Mar. 9th at 1:30 pm
Hostess -
@ Fellowship Hall
- Dorcas: Thursday, Mar. 11th 1:30pm
Hostess -
@ Fellowship Room
- Deborah: Monday, Mar. 15th at 7:00pm
Hostess - Linda Vickers -687-3725
@ 283 Hwy 16
- Sarah: Thursday, Mar. 18th at 7:00pm
Hostess - Cammy Sue Oakland
377-3491@ 206
Georgetown Dr

LADIES ATTENTION:

The "South East Cluster Spring Fling"

Saturday, April 24th at 9:30a.m.

Zion Lutheran Church in Fairview, MT

**The President of Montana Synodical Women's
Organization Mait Board from Helena will be
guest speaker. All ladies are invited and
encouraged to attend this event of fellowship,
learning, and meeting other ladies in our
cluster.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Zion's Military Member:

S.R. Haugen, Lance H.
Ship 07 DIV. 107
Recruit Training Command
3405 Sailor Drive
Great Lakes, IL 60088-3401

FOR THE RECORD: January Financial Report
Checking Acct. Balance as of 01/1/2010 \$11,275.58

General Fund January

Envelopes & Plates	+ \$16,512.02
+ Other deposits	1,844.51
Total Deposits for the Month	\$18,356.53
+ Trans. from savings	80.00
Total Funds available	\$29,712.11
Less expenditures for the month	- \$17,822.13

Checking Acct Balance for 01/31/10 \$ 11,889.98

Savings Account for January

Savings Acct Balance as of 01/1/2010	\$24,364.71
Transfer to checking(G.A.T.E..)	(40.00)
Transfer from Checking	-0-
Interest Earned	-0-
Total Savings as of 01/31/2010	\$24,324.71
(Designated savings fund)	\$ 11,130.72
(Non-Designated savings fund)	\$ 13,193.99



Date Attendance Communion Income
Statistics for March Newsletter

Jan 27 Chapel	8	No Communion	
Jan 27 Evening	8	6	
Jan 31	134	118	\$3485.00
Feb 3 Chapel	9	9	
Feb 3 Evening	23	23	
Feb 7	119	59	\$4444.00
Feb 10 Chapel	8	No Communion	
Feb 10 Evening			
Feb 14	173	143	\$3033.50
Feb 17 Chapel	10	No Communion	
Feb 17 Ash Wed	24	"	
Feb 17 Ash Evening Joint Service w/ Methodist & Congregational			
Feb 21	148	119	\$3057.25
Feb 28	134	110	\$3384.15

See April Zionews for

Ministerial Acts:

Baptism:	2
02-03	Liam Vaughn Schulte
02-14	James Robert Rahr
Wedding:	-0-
Funerals:	02-06 Darla Sue Gillespie
Private Communion:	6
Other Communion:	33
(Grandview, Heritage, GMC, Extended Care, EMVH)	

Memorials

In Memory of **John H. Johnson** from Aileen E. Boyce.

In Memory of **John Chouinard** and **John Johnson** for the Air Conditioning Fund from Carole Dick.

In Memory of **Laura Utgaard** and **Dorothy Paulson** for New Windows Fund from Carole Dick.

In Memory of **John Johnson** for the Air Conditioning Fund from Larry Johnson.

In Memory of **John Johnson** to the Montana Synod-Missionary Cove Fund.

In Memory of **John Chouinard** and **John Johnson** for New Windows Fund from Ross and Correen Major.

In Memory of **Ross Major** to World Hunger from Adam and Barb Gartner.

In Memory of **John Johnson** for New Windows Fund from Adam and Barb Gartner.

In Memory of **Ross Major** to the Kitchen Redecoration Fund from Karl and Madeline Overlie.

In Memory of **John Johnson** to the Dining Room Redecoration Fund from Karl and Madeline Overlie.

In Memory of **John Johnson** and **Ross Major** to New Windows Fund from Charles and Helen Mason.

In Memory of **John Johnson** and **Ross Major** to the Choir Fund from Freda Haidle.

In Memory of **Erwin Roesler** for New Windows Fund from Freda Haidle.

In Memory of **John Johnson** and **Ross Major** for Stained Glass Windows Fund from Marian Chouinard.

In Memory of **John Chouinard**, **John Johnson**, and **Dorothy Paulson** for the Oregon Fund from Bill and Martha Kelly.

For the February 7th Radio Broadcast in memory of **Louis Lye** from her family.

In Memory of **Dorothy Paulson** to the Chancel Guild from Karen Schock.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Mary Danielson.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Gregory and Deborah McGovern.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Myrna Kintz.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Leslie Aardahl.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Wesley Aardahl.

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Stephen and Sylvia Hammer.

In Memory of **John Johnson** to Loaves and Fishes from Martin and Evelyn Gehmert.

In Memory of **Erwin Roesler** for New Windows Fund from Marian Chouinard.

In Memory of **Ross Major** for Loaves and Fishes from Anonymous

In Memory of **John H. Johnson** from Calford and Rosa Mayer

In Memory of **Dorothy Paulson** for Quilting from Ellen Tweet, her sister-in-law

In Memory of **Dorothy Paulson** for Loaves and Fishes from Dianna and Jim Waddell

Memorials (continued)

In Memory of her husband, family and friends for the **Radio Broadcast from Adeline Ost**

In Memory of **June May**, sister of Pat Bell for the Window Fund from Helen and Charles Mason

In Memory of **John Johnson** from Virginia Landers

In Memory of **Dorothy Paulson** for Quilting from Grace Lunde

In Memory of **Darla Sue Gillespie** and **Hazelle Kaul** for New Windows from Freda Haidle

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** for Loaves and Fishes from Vance and Linda Vickers

In Memory of **Maggie Malarchick** for New Windows from Freda Haidle

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul, John Johnson, Margret Pulse, Ruth Lillejord** to the Loaves and Fishes Fund from Bland and Calda Lunde.

In Memory of **Darla Gillespie** from Dorothy Price

In Memory of **John Johnson** for New Windows from Ken and Myrna Quale

In Memory of **Dorothy Paulson** for Vacation Bible School from Ken and Myrna Quale

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** for Loaves and Fishes from Ken and Myrna Quale

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** for New Windows from Charles and Helen Mason

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** for New Windows from Adam and Barb Gartner

In Memory of **John Johnson, Ross Major, Margret Pulse, and Hazelle Kaul** for the nursery from Ralph and Shirley Lenhart

In Memory of **Ross Major** for bibles from Correen Major and Family

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** from Marlene Taylor

In Memory of **Frank Carpenter** for Dining Room Redecorating from Karl and Madeline Overlie

In Memory of **Hazelle Kaul** for Dining Room Redecorating from Karl and Madeline Overlie

In Memory of **Emma Hass** for Dining Room Redecorating from Karl and Madeline Overlie

In Memory of **Edna Mayer** for New Windows from Freda Haidle

In Memory of **Darla Gillespie, Hazelle Kaul, Richard Mittlestadt, and Edna Mayer** for Vacation Bible School from Neil and Cammy Sue Oakland

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

The Outstanding TIP Kindness Award for the month of January goes to **Brian Fulton**. Others receiving TIP Kindness honores were: **Mrs. Senvold, Mrs. Dawes**

Trevor Conrad, DCHS Wrestler, took 4th in State at 215 pounds

Washington Middle School Honor Roll
Congrats to:

Carly Senvold 4.00 8th grade

3.00-3.99 GPA

Grade 5

**Hannah Bogar
Derek Allison
Cheyenne Ryan
Shelby Pare
Ceeara Staiger
Jacob Rieger**

Grade 6

**Taylor Conrad
Bret Vester
Samantha Hubbard
Carson Oakland**

Grade 7

**Zannelle Iwen
Chantal Ryan
Trevor Berreth
Cody Bilbrey**

Grade 8

**Nathan Sickler
Olivia Vester
Taylor Schwartz
Aspen Gibbs**

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