

# THE CLARION

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

### SPECIAL MISSION EVENT - February 19



Gary Thies will be the special Mission Event speaker here at Zion Lutheran Church on Sunday, February 19.

Gary will deliver the message at both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services and will lead the Bible Class in the Atrium between services.

Having traveled in 76

countries and spoken in more than 1,700 churches, Gary will bring directly to us an in-person PowerPoint Presentation and Artifacts from the mission fields.

Gary W Thies is Mission Development Counselor with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and he would love to share with you the exciting news of what is really happening in missions in the LCMS.

Born and raised on a farm near Mapleton, IA, having spent 33 years in the Banking, Estate and Insurance Industry, he brings an

entirely new vision as a layman.

His message will impact on the lives of all who attend, in that God does call people even today, from all walks of life, and that God has a plan for each and every person.

Currently Gary represents the World Mission Division as well as the Iowa District West and the Nebraska Districts.

Mark your calendar for this Special Event and invite someone to come along with you so you too can be a missionary.

A Pot Luck Dinner will be held following the late Service that day.

This time of fellowship will also give you an opportunity to visit with Gary about his work and about Mission Central.

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Exciting Presentations direct from the Mission Field

Presentations at both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Services and the Atrium Bible Class

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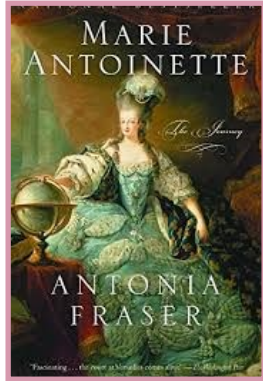
### Prayer Vigil - February 1

In conjunction with SFLS's Miracle Sunday OUR GREATEST GIFTS Campaign, Zion will be hosting a **PRAYER VIGIL** for the benefit of all schools, teachers and students in the Sioux Falls area on Wednesday, February 1 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. You don't know what to pray for? ... No problem—there will be printed Prayer Petitions available in the back of the Sanctuary that evening. This is a come and go event, so come, pray and stay as long as you'd like. If you have any questions about this Prayer Vigil, please contact Sandy Krause (605-334-0308).



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## Book Club - February 11 - 9:30 am

“Let them eat cake!” is a phrase attributed to Marie Antoinette, but did she really say it?

Biographer Antonia Fraser sets the record straight. Fraser counters all the myths and rumors surrounding the Queen of France, showing her to be bright and kind-

hearted while making the best of her situation before she loses her head in 1793.

Author Antonia Fraser was born in London in August of 1932. Her father was a politician and writer and her mother was a writer.

She received her M.A. from Oxford University. She is the author of several biographies including such figures as Mary, Queen of Scots, Oliver Cromwell, James I and Charles II.

Book Club will meet in the Atrium at 9:30 on February 11.

Meatballs and Gravy over Mashed Potatoes

Chicken and Rice

Scalloped Potatoes and Ham

Spaghetti Pie

## Wednesday Night Suppers

Our Wednesday Night Suppers continue - serving from 5:30 to 5:30 pm in the Atrium. A free-will offering is taken each week to help cover expenses.

Here's the Menu for the month of February (subject to change):

**February 1:** Meatballs and Gravy over Mashed Potatoes with Broccoli, Dill Pickles and Frosted Brownies

**February 8:** Chicken and Rice Casserole and Cole-slaw with canned Peaches

**February 15:** Scalloped Potatoes and Ham, Veggie Salad and Ice Cream Bars

**February 22:** Spaghetti Pie, Garlic Bread, Carrots, Broccoli, Angel Food Cake and Strawber-ries



## LWML NEWS . . .

Members of the LWML are reminded to complete and turn in your **Survey** to your Circle Chair- man. If you didn't get a Survey, we will get you one—just ask your Circle

Chairman or grab one from the LWML mailbox across from the office.

Please also remem- ber the **Zone Prayer Service** on February 25 at Our Redeemer Lutheran (2200 S

Western Avenue). Registration: 9:30 am Prayer Service: 10am

**Circles** will meet at their regular times in February. Plan to attend your Circle meeting and bring a friend.

## Lenten Series “Christ on Trial”

Our Lenten Series this year (starting on Ash Wednesday, March 1) will be “Christ on Trial”.

Christ most certainly WAS on trial. Two thousand years have come and gone since Caiaphas and Pilate passed judgment on Jesus in Jerusalem. And though the verdict passed down at that trial was a miscarriage of justice, the result fulfilled God’s purpose: to save the world by sacrificing his Son.

Christ most certainly IS on trial. His saving act, His being in the world, His radical teachings all demand a reaction. Every human heart must wrestle with questions like: Who is this Christ? Is He who He claims to be? If so, what does He mean for me and my

living? Christ demands a reply. Daily, Christ is on trial.

As He is again this Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Christ On Trial is a series of worship services in which court is in session to determine who Christ is.

Our Ash Wednesday and Lenten Services will be held at 10:00 am and 6:30 pm with our Lenten Suppers from 5:30 - 6:30 each week.

**Ash Wednesday, March 1:** We hear a lawyer’s opening statements as to who this Jesus is, and who will be on the witness stand in the coming weeks. Examine evidence in this series that demands a verdict: **Who is this Jesus ... for you?**

**March 8:** Matthew speaks of Jesus’ scandalous association with the seedier side of society. Examine evidence in this series that demands a verdict: **Who is this Jesus ... for you?**

**March 15:** a former cripple is, herself, evidence of Jesus’ loose interpretation of Sabbath law. Examine evidence in this series that demands a verdict: **Who is this Jesus ... for you?**

Watch your March Clarion for information on the rest of this series.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the upcoming Special Services beginning on March 1.



## Thank You

Dear Zion Friends and Family,

We would like to thank everyone for all of your prayers and support as Aimee continues to heal from her injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident on 12/20/16. A special thanks to Pastor Greg for his visits while Aimee was in the hospital. We would

also like to thank the Loving Hand Ministry for the beautiful Afghan. Last but not least, a special thank you to everyone who generously gave to Aimee’s fund on You Caring. It has been a long road to recovery but much easier knowing we had so many prayers and support along the way.

God Bless!!  
Aimee Sebesta and Family

## Hearts on Fire

**Sioux Falls Lutheran School**

**HEARTS ON FIRE DINNER and DESSERT AUCTION**

**Saturday, February 11**

**RAMKOTA HOTEL—Exhibit Hall**

**Doors Open: 4:30 pm**

**Silent Auction Begins: 5:00 pm**

**Buffet Meal and Cash Bar: 5:45 pm**

**Live Auction Begins: 7:30 pm**

**Tickets: \$25 until February 5  
\$35 after that**

## Faith and Family Night

The Families in Faith Event for February will be the



Faith and Family Night  
Friday, February 3  
Puck Drops at 7:05 pm

VS. the Sioux City



Tickets are \$10.00 each

Please contact Pat or Bridget Ebert if you have questions

## February Birthdays

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Myles List          | 15 Tyler Phelps       |
| 1 Jenina Gatnoor      | 16 Katy Davis         |
| 2 Chase Kellenberger  | 18 Jennifer Fick      |
| 3 Les Timm            | 18 Owen Gilster       |
| 5 Meghan Hofer        | 18 Dee Kranz          |
| 5 Ian Rehms           | 18 Joan Sebesta       |
| 6 Rose McGaha         | 19 Kyle Callies       |
| 7 Sara Carr           | 19 Katelyn Clow       |
| 7 Amanda Eisenhauer   | 19 Joyce Dunn         |
| 7 Eldon Ellingson     | 19 Peggy Selken       |
| 7 Miles Nelson        | 20 Evan Ahlers        |
| 8 Steve Smith         | 20 Sue Pew            |
| 9 Linda Bain          | 21 Beth Goetschius    |
| 9 Keith Boese         | 21 Jennifer Lee       |
| 9 Molly Burgraff      | 21 Addalyn Meier      |
| 9 Austin Loween       | 22 Trisha Anderson    |
| 9 Elsie Shoup         | 22 Dale Gabel         |
| 9 Marilyn Zimmerman   | 23 Nancy Bott         |
| 10 Stacey Boehrns     | 23 Ron Roe            |
| 10 Travis Boese       | 23 Christopher Tingle |
| 10 John Giddings      | 24 Darlene Duprey     |
| 10 Pastor Mel Helling | 24 Julie Prochniak    |
| 10 Jada Smith         | 25 Kirsten Aman       |
| 11 Annie Dyce         | 25 Judy Eisenbraun    |
| 11 Kailee Heng        | 27 Aaron Halbakken    |
| 12 Alverna Andersen   | 27 Isaiah Shoup       |
| 12 Adam Nelson        | 27 Ron Woodward       |
| 13 Ken Boettcher      | 28 Jacob Anderson     |
| 13 Jeff Kaufman       | 28 Mike Berg          |
| 13 Jeanice Klooster   | 28 Matty Dressler     |
| 13 Dylan Saeger       | 28 Norah Nelson       |
| 13 Evan Saeger        |                       |
| 14 Tyler Friedrich    |                       |
| 14 John Priest        |                       |
| 14 Cora Schettler     |                       |

## SD Lutherans for Life Essay Contest

for Students in Grades 6—12

Students will write a life-affirming essay that must be based on the 2017 Conference Theme: “Hope For Life” and I Peter 3:15.

Essay topics could deal with abortion, the handicapped, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician assisted suicide or euthanasia.

Grades 6 to 8 - submit essay up to 400 words  
Grades 9 to 12 - submit essay up to 750 words

Entry Deadline: March 15

For more information see the bulletin board in the Office Wing.

## January Givings

### HOME GIVING

Envelopes.....	\$37,240.89
Plate .....	1,249.25
Mission.....	200.00
Lutheran School .....	240.00
Treasure Chest.....	70.12
Radio .....	1,430.00
Flowers .....	40.00
Coffee/Donuts.....	333.00

**Monthly Total .....\$40,803.26**

**Monthly Giving Needed.....\$56,250.00**

### OTHER GIVING

Debt Retirement .....	\$1,250.00
Reimbursement.....	60.00
Love Kitchen .....	30.00
Youth Missions .....	49.63
Sudanese/Gaat South Sudan .....	15.00
Wednesday Suppers .....	240.00
District Harvest Grant—Rally Sunday.....	1,000.00
District Harvest Grant - Mission Trip.....	2,500.00

**Monthly Total ..... \$5,144.63**

# MISSION TRIP

Pastor Jenina Gatnoor and Brad Tauchen will be going to Ethiopia and South Sudan in February to minister to the people of this area with Bibles and much needed basic items for health and living.

## ITEMS NEEDED

1. **Cash** - \$35 will buy solar powered Talking Bibles in the Anyuak and English languages. (**Deadline for this donation is February 1**)
2. **Cash** - \$200 will pay to ship one suitcase full of supplies.
3. **Cash** - to purchase needed supplies while they are in Africa

## ITEMS TO PURCHASE—LISTED IN THE ORDER OF IMPORTANCE



**Basic First Aid** - Triple Antibiotic Ointment, Over the Counter pills for headaches, colds, sore throats, stomach aches, diarrhea, eye and ear drops, band aids, sterile bandages, tooth brushes, toothpaste, reading glasses and used glasses

**Sports Equipment** - Deflated basketballs, soccer balls, volley balls with nets, uniforms

**Garden Seeds** - Carrots, Peas, Beans, Tomato, Radishes, Corn, Cabbage, Lettuce, Peppers (anything that would grow here)



**Clothing** - New Underwear, new or gently used (all sizes) Tennis Shoes, Flip Flops, Short-sleeve T-shirts and shorts



**Miscellaneous** - Paper, Notebooks, Pencils, Mosquito and Fishing Nets  
New or used Suitcases to ship items (suitcases will not be returned)

Items can be brought to the church and left in the East Entryway and cash can be placed in the offering plate or dropped off at the office.

**Deadline: February 8**

“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, ‘Your God Reigns.’” Isaiah 52:7

# Serving in February

## ELDERS

**Feb. 5:** \* Jeff Thompson

Nathan Gilster, Dave Rames, Craig Stember

**Feb. 12:** \* Ed Dunlap

Dave Rames, Nathan Gilster, Joe Simonson

**Feb. 19:** \* Roger Corkill

Joe Simonson, Jeff Sebesta, Craig Stember

**Feb. 26:** \* Ed Dunlap

Shannon Johnson, Joe Simonson, Dennis Werner

## GREETERS

**Feb. 5:** 8:00 am - Hal and Jan Frentz

10:30 am - Doug and Nancy Kraayenhof

**Feb. 12:** 8:00 am - Judy Bittner, Sunhild Muldbakken

10:30 am - Eileen Sturzenbecher, Janice Haas

**Feb. 19:** 8:00 am - Glenda Stene, Lois Jones

10:30 am - Max Kirlin, Jewell Gimble

**Feb. 26:** 8:00 am - Steve and Nancy Bott

10:30 am - Joyce Dabbert, Donna Crichton

## READERS

**Feb. 5:** 8:00 am - Shelly Simonson

10:30 am - John Kritzmire

**Feb. 12:** 8:00 am - Joe Simonson

10:30 am - Suze Frentz

**Feb. 19:** 8:00 am - Jody Bymers

10:30 am - Mary Hoon

**Feb. 26:** 8:00 am - Lisa May

10:30 am - Jeff Sebesta

## USHERS

**Feb. 5:** 8:00 am - Paul Marvin, Doug Callies

Jerry Gibson, Judy Bittner

10:30 am - Evie Meier, Mike Dressler

Wendell Bouwman, Jim Bosley

**Feb. 12:** 8:00 am - Craig Stember, Jeff Bickel

Hal Frentz, Ken Schmuck

10:30 am - Joe Simonson, Sam Castetter

Steve Hendry, Evie Meier

**Feb. 19:** 8:00 am - Rose McGaha, Steve Stember

Dan Fick, Paul Marvin

10:30 am - Brian Frentz, Lyle Dabbert

Mike Berg, Teresa Berg

**Feb. 26:** 8:00 am - Doug Callies, Judy Bittner

Jerry Gibson, Craig Stember

10:30 am - David Rames, Dennis Werner

Bob Kuntz, Michael Fitterer

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

**Feb. 5:** Jeremy and Natalie Olawsky

**Feb. 12:** Jill McMillen, Sherry Miller

**Feb. 19:** Heather Kellenberger, Cindy Huntimer

**Feb. 26:** Kayla Preto, Pam Kludt

## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

### 8:00 am

### 10:30 am

**Feb. 5:**

Tyler Schlueter

**Feb. 12:**

Madison Hofer

**Feb. 19:**

Logan Kendig

**Feb. 26:**

## POWERPOINT

### 8:00 am

### 10:30 am

**Feb. 5:** Natasha Baer

Brad Powell

**Feb. 12:** Linda Wagner

Josie Lorang

**Feb. 19:** Chad Zinnel

Will Kulzer

**Feb. 26:** Roger Wagner

Braedon Thompson

## MUSIC LEADERS

Mary Dunlap  
Jane Kurth  
Carrie Johnson  
Jacob Shoup  
Rusty Willson

## BROADCASTERS

**Feb. 5:** Paul Farmer

**Feb. 12:** Jeff Flaten

**Feb. 19:** John Kritzmire

**Feb. 26:** Paul Farmer

## ALTAR COMMITTEE

Merry Kool

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## Pastor's Corner

By now you've heard of Sioux Falls Lutheran School's Capital Campaign entitled "**Our Greatest Gifts**" in which we prayerfully hope to raise \$8 million to build a new school with the potential to add Lutheran High School of Sioux Falls. About \$2 million has been raised to date and we give glory to God as He moved people already to see the value of having Lutheran education opportunities in our community.

The students of our Lutheran Schools are our future pastors, missionaries, deaconesses, teachers and leaders within our church and community! There is no question the need exists for a new facility to better equip our students, making them World Ready,

Faith Secure. The time to act is now.

On Sunday, February 5 Zion will celebrate **Our Greatest Gifts—Miracle Sunday**. How exciting it is to team up with our sisters and brothers in Christ to raise money for this new school and the opportunity it presents to our children and community. Both Zion Lutheran and Sioux Falls Lutheran School are centered on the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ; therefore, it's fitting we should endeavor to assist in attaining this lofty goal with our treasures and resources.

On February 5 we will join together for **Miracle Sunday** in which you will be given the opportunity to give a one-time gift or make a 3-year

faith-promise to further the ministry of our schools. Gifts of all sizes are acceptable. It's not the amount of the gift that matters it's the participation in the giving opportunity for the glory of God.

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### Miracle Sunday February 5

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Keep in mind that as we support the Lutheran schools, we are ensuring Christ-centered education that will continually pay dividends as our graduates move on to their careers, bringing with them the love and forgiveness of Jesus instilled in them during their formative years.