

## LADIES DEPARTMENT



### LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

*Women in Mission - Zion Lutheran Mission Valley*



#### **Bible Study times each month....**

Esther Circle-2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month-9 am  
Ladies Aid-1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month-2 pm  
Rebecca/Ruth Circle-1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month-10 am. Each Bible study group or circle has ongoing activities they are involved in, such as the kits, quilts, Ladles of Love, etc. *But to participate, you do not have to belong to a circle...*



#### ESTHER CIRCLE

Esther Circle met on Tuesday May 13, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. for its regular monthly meeting. Present were Carolyn Seifert, Michelle Wendel, Kay Lagal, Eva Cooke, Irene Heinold, Darlette Mathisen, Gail Woytasczyk, Cass Martignoni, Darla Sifford, Shelley Sharp and one guest Kay Lagal's sister Carol.

Hostesses were Darlette and Cass filling in for Sherilyn.

Bible Study was on Divine Times and led by Eva Cooke.

**Business:** Sewing will be on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Graduate quilts will be presented Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> to J. R. Bishop and Lilly Heller with cake and punch to follow the Church service.

**Ladles of Love** will be on June 7<sup>th</sup> with Esther B hosting.

**Cards** were sent to Holly Carey, Randy Carter, Yvonne Meharg and Marilyn Brown.

Offering was \$60.00.

All ladies of Zion are invited to join us on the second Tuesday of each month as we study the Word of God! Our next meeting will be June 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00

a.m. Hostesses will be Barbara Schmidt and Darla Sifford.

Darla Sifford-filling in for Sherilyn Arnecke

### REBECCA/RUTH CIRCLE



Rebecca/Ruth Circle journeyed to Seadrift on May 5, 2025, for Bible Study to JoNell Martin's son and wife's bay home, Shannon and Michelle Martin. Ten members that traveled were JoNell, Peggy Lee, Denise Afflerbach, Pat Harper, Sheron Alex, Shelvy Schneider, Seda Weaver, Alice Cockrell, Gloria Buchhorn, and Winona Klacman.

Pat Harper led Bible Study from Spring Quarterly, "Divine Time" studied from the four gospels: Jesus Birth, Life, Death and Resurrection. Pat opened Bible Study with Prayer and was closed with Prayer.

Denise Afflerbach led the **Business Meeting:** **Cookies** were needed May 11<sup>th</sup> for Women's Crisis Center. Peggy, Shelvy, Pat, Denise, and Debbie Meyer volunteered to make cookies; May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am **Sewing**, May 18<sup>th</sup> honor graduates, Lillie Heller, and J.R. Bishop; **LWML Fall Rally will be at Zion Lutheran Mission Valley September 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**Cards** were sent. Drew names for **Prayer Partners** in May.

Rebecca/Ruth will meet June 2, 2025, at 10:00 am. Winona Klacman will be Bible Study leader. Bible Study is on Page 20, "Free to Serve", Spring Woman's Quarterly.

Our meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

We ate lunch at La Terraza 🍽️ Restaurant in Seadrift. The day was enjoyed by all.

Come join us for Bible Study and Fellowship.

Secretary, Winona Klacman

### LADIES AID

No meeting.



Each month the ladies of the church are collecting a different item as one of their projects for Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry (VCAM). For the month of **June**, LWML is collecting **Pasta (noodles, spaghetti, etc.) any shape**. We are asking the congregation to help with this project. It would be very much appreciated. There is a box in the **Narthex near the Ladies Restroom** for your donated item. Please help restock the shelves at VCAM. If any questions, contact Eva Cooke, project chairperson.

Want to thank everyone for contributing food for all these people in need.

Eva Cooke, Chairperson

**Thank you, thank you. For the month of April, 24 lbs. of Cans of Vienna Sausage were collected for VCAM!**

### 2025 CONFIRMANDS



l-r: Sherry Hornstein (Vice-President of LWML), Johnathan Clay, Derrick Miller, Ava Dornburg, Layla Dornburg, Reagan Weiser, Korgen Ramirez



l-r: Derrick, Ava, Korgen, Reagan, Layla, Johnathan

The ladies of the LWML honored our 2025 confirmands with a cross and a reception of cake and punch after worship.

### HONORING OUR 2025 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



The ladies of the LWML honored our 2025 high school graduates, Lilly Heller and J.R. Bishop, with a quilt on May 18<sup>th</sup> and a reception of cake and punch after worship.



**LWML FUNDRAISERS QUILT RAFFLE SALE  
AND BAKE SALE**



"Peace with Pieces" approx. 57"

I receive all the scraps of material and trimmed fabric that is deemed "not more useful." That is where the magic begins! I love scraps!! My grandmother's saying was: "When life gives you scraps, make quilts!" That is what I did. The results of which will be a chosen item in **the raffle for LWML and drawing will be at Zion Potluck meal, September 14<sup>th</sup>, after church service.** Gaze upon this conglomerate array of color-delight. As I always name my quilt tops, why should this be different? This one shall be called, "Peace with Pieces." Indeed, you may have a flashback connected with some of these patterns. All the fabric came from our supply of donated cloth. You might could say; this is the fabric of our collected lives. I think of it somewhat as we, the church, are individuals, but are woven together as a congregation as the fabric of our collective lives.

Judy Faulkner

**Raffle tickets will be handed out starting Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Additional tickets needed, see Peggy Lee or JoNell Martin. Please give ticket stubs, unsold tickets, and money to Peggy or JoNell by the deadline, Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Checks payable to LWML. Profits raised will support our delegates for the LWML Texas District Convention in 2026 in Austin.**



**BAKE SALE**

On Sunday **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League ladies will host a bake sale before and after Church. We are planning to send several ZION Church women to the 2026 Texas District LWML Convention held in Austin, Texas, June 11-13, 2026. With this and future endeavors we plan to raise funds to increase the opportunity for more women to attend. **A sheet is available in the Narthex if you desire to provide an item for sale.** For convenience, you may drop off your donated item in the kitchen on **Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup>**. **Please have your sale item pre-priced.** Checks payable to LWML. Any questions please call Peggy 361-550-8665. Thank you in advance.

Leaders of Christian Life,

Peggy Lee and JoNell Martin



**LADLES OF LOVE**

**Esther B** is in charge of Ladles of Love in June. If you would like to participate in a group or form your own group, please talk to Sherilyn Arnecke.

Sherilyn Arnecke, Chairperson



**SEWING DAY**

Sewing Day was held on Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> with 8 ladies to tack quilts: Shelley Sharp, Winona Klacman, Judy Faulkner, Irene Heinold, Michelle Wendel, Kay Lagal, Darlette Mathisen & Eva Cooke. We tacked 2 quilts and Judy took a lap quilt to a friend who has Alzheimer and is wheelchair bound.

Our next regular Sewing Day will be **Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**, at 9am in the multi-Purpose Room.

Eva Cooke & Irene Heinold, Chairpersons



### COOKIES GALORE!!

Many, many cookies were delivered to the Women's Crisis Center. Thanks to everyone that donated their time and baking expertise.



LWML is kicking off its annual collection for specialty kits. In the past we have assembled these kits for Lutheran World Relief. However, in 2024 our LWML voted to donate our school kits to an LCMS registered non-profit Christian volunteer network service organization, titled the Orphan Grain Train (OGT). The OGT, whose name is slightly misleading, provides essential aid/relief to victims of disaster or in destitute situations. These kits are distributed nationally and worldwide. There are 27 OGT distribution centers in the United States with the nearest to us being in Pasadena, TX

This year we are collecting monetary donations for **hygiene kits**. (Last year we collected enough to make 40 school kits!) Because items in these kits have very specific requirements regarding sizes and quantities, monetary donations are preferred. This allows the LWML to purchase the correct items and then assemble those items into a completed kit. The approximate cost for the items in one hygiene kit is \$12. This does not include shipping costs.

**During May, June and July, the congregation may place monetary donations toward hygiene kits in a labeled box in the narthex.** There is a basket displaying items included in the hygiene kit. **Thank you for helping LWML with this extraordinary mission. These kits show our love and support to others in their time of greatest need.**

## YOUTH DEPARTMENT



Please join us for Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9am.



### Mark your calendar!

Vacation Bible School PK3-6<sup>th</sup> grade is right around the corner – **June 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>!** “**Trusting Jesus in a Wild World**”. Ultimate Alaskan adventure and point kids to Jesus, a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our **True North**.

**Volunteers** are needed! There is a signup sheet in the Narthex to help. **Also, a container for donations.**



Any size Plastic jars with lids, example:

- Mayo jars
- Jelly jars
- Peanut butter jars

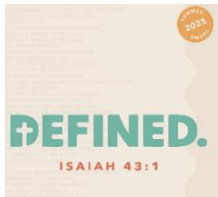
There will be a box in Narthex for collection. Thank you.

**Insert: flyer and registration form. Register on website too.**



**VBS News:** There will be a VBS workday on **Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30pm**. Even if you cannot help the week of VBS, please consider coming to help us get everything ready. We will be painting, cutting, gluing, staging, and making the decorations and preparing the materials and crafts. Come join us!

Finally, please consider **supporting VBS by sponsoring a craft, snacks, Bible study, recreation, science station, Family Night, or any other aspect of VBS. There is a donation jar on the VBS table in the narthex.** Thank you for all your support! We shared the love of Jesus with over 55 children in 2024 and we are looking forward to reaching out to even more children in 2025 VBS!



We have 14 campers going to Camp Lone Star in La Grange scheduled for June 8-13<sup>th</sup>. Ann Heller & Megan Meyer will attend with the kids. This year's theme, "Defined", is inspired by *Isaiah 43:1*: *"But now thus says the Lord, he who created you. O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel, 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.'"*

This theme focuses on the powerful truth that our identity is not defined by our actions, but by who God is and our relationship with Him.

### 2025 Campers

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Keeleigh Cooke  | Chloe McDowell |
| Cayden McDowell | Johnathan Clay |
| Elizabeth Clay  | Drake Brannan  |
| Emma Heller     | Kayla Tate     |
| Reese McDowell  | Taylor Tate    |
| Reese Weiser    | Korgen Ramirez |
| Reagan Weiser   |                |

### Day Camp

Olivia Heller



### Confirmation Sunday

Congratulations to our six 2025 confirmation class. They were confirmed on May 4, 2025 and received their 1<sup>st</sup> communion.



Back row: Derrick Miller, Johnathan Clay, Reagan Weiser  
Front row: Layla Dornburg, Ava Dornburg, Korgen Ramirez, Pastor Meyer

Johnathan David Clay, son of Jacky & Candice Clay

Ava Alyssa Dornburg, daughter of Brandon & Cindy Dornburg

Layla Grayce Dornburg, daughter of Brandon & Cindy Dornburg

Derrick Jacob Miller, son of Ashley Miller

Korgen Ann Ramirez, daughter of Robert & Kimberly Ramirez

Reagan Kay Weiser, daughter of Darren & Becky Weiser



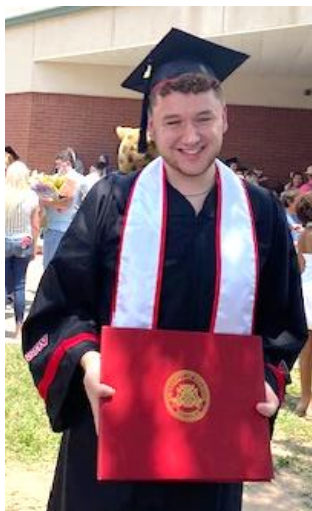
### **CONFIRMATION BANNER**



The Confirmation Class of 2025 presented to the church a Confirmation banner made by Shelley Sharp.



### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2025 COLLEGE GRADUATES!!!**



Mason Heinold, son of Donald & Shannon Heinold and grandson of Irene Heinold and the late Edward Heinold, graduated from University of Houston obtaining his Bachelor of Science in Business Management. He graduated with honors and now works at Victoria Eye Center in the insurance department.



Rylan Heller, daughter of Darryl Heller and Bobbi Heller and granddaughter of Edward & Iris Heller graduated from Tarleton State University obtaining her Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Communications. Her plans this summer is working for and traveling with Brittany Pozzi who is an American professional rodeo cowgirl who specializes in barrel racing.



Tyler Maroney, son of Jennifer Mayfield and David Maroney and grandson of JoNell Martin, graduated from Texas A&M University of College Station obtaining his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Leadership & Development. With upcoming prospects, he's hoping for jobs pertaining to leadership or project management roles.



Tyler Mathisen, grandson of Darlette Mathisen, graduated from Illinois State University obtaining his Bachelor of Science in Construction Management.



### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATES!!!**

J.R. Bishop is graduating from Cuero High School Class of 2025. He was named Cuero High School's Valedictorian and will be a summa cum laude graduate in the Top 10% of his class. During his senior year, he earned T.H.S.C.A. Academic All-State Elite Team honors in football and served as the National Honor Society Vice-President at C.H.S. He was very active during his 10<sup>th</sup> and last year in the 4-H program serving at the state level as a member of Texas 4-H Council. J.R. also served as the District 11 4-H Council 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, DeWitt County 4-H Council President, and served a 4<sup>th</sup> year as a state level Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador. He raised multiple animal projects for the Cuero Livestock Show, Houston Livestock Show, and earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place honors at State 4-H Round Up. He plans to study engineering at Texas A&M University in College

Station and has been accepted into their College of Engineering program.

J.R. would like to thank everyone who has supported him these past 18 years and knows that God will continue to be with him during his educational journey at Texas A&M. He is the son of Doug & Wendy Bishop

Abagayle Faulkner is graduating from Moanalua High School Class of 2025 in Honolulu, Hawaii. She will be back in Texas the first of June and she wants to be a mechanic in the U. S. Army. She will talk to a recruiter here in Texas because they offer more in this state. She is the daughter of John & Jessica Faulkner and granddaughter of Paul & Judy Faulkner.

Lillian Heller is graduating from Cuero High School Class of 2025. She will be a Magna Cum Laude graduate in the 10% of her class. She was a varsity cheerleader and was in Student Council and National Honor Society. She was very active in Arneckeville 4-H Club and raised animals.

Lillian will be attending Texas Lutheran University in Seguin in the fall and pursuing a degree in Communications and Business. She will also do cheer. She is the daughter of Robyn Heller Garza and the late Randall Heller and granddaughter of Edward & Iris Heller.



If your children have any news like school recognitions, honors, sports, achievements this year that you would like to share, please submit them to the church office. Throughout the year, please submit special happenings. We love to hear about our children.

## COMMITTEE NEWS



### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee met on May 14<sup>th</sup> with all members present, Irene Heinold, chairman; Darlette Mathisen; Taylee Lester; Marvin Janak, Elder rep. After all discussion and evaluation on all points of qualification, the Bertha Arnold Memorial Scholarship for 2025 was awarded to J.R. Bishop.



The recipient of the \$500 Bertha Arnold Memorial Scholarship Fund for 2025 was J.R. Bishop presented by Irene Heinold, chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.



### Outreach Meeting Notes of 5-6-25

After opening prayer, we addressed business of checking our budgeted monies account and are grateful for the amount allotted to us in the annual budget. We are managing it well and moving forward with the purchase of ink to print our pictorial directory. The finished product should be available in late June.

Our three big activities of long- range planning have almost been completed. Those are Chilifest, Zion historical marker & dedication, and Zion pictorial directory.

The committee wants to continue the Chilifest event. We have other activity thoughts in the works but not as yet formulated. That is tabled for next meeting.

We reviewed the most recent visitors and those among congregation needing care and prayers. Cards will be sent from our committee.

Our committee approved goals were reviewed. We selected three as a focus and our team will share in moving forward on these.

Many thanks to Marvin Janak who has kept our marquee changed for several years. We now have Justin Heinold to thank for taking on that task. Thank you, Justin!

We invite new members to come aboard our small committee. We only meet perhaps three times per year. Thank you for considering us a way to be involved at Zion.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14, 2025. Time is TBA.

The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Judy Faulkner



## CONGREGATION NEWS



### BAPTISM

By The Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Jace Phillip Jaeger, was made on May 11, 2025, a living member of Christ's Church and Child of God. Blessings and congratulations to him and his family, the son of Cody and Amanda Jaeger and BIG brothers, Travis and Wyatt Jaeger and grandparents, Harvey & Gina Jaeger. His sponsors were Matthew Cloessner and Bradley Jaeger.

### BAPTISM

By The Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Gracie Lynn Zimmermann and Waylon Wayne Zimmermann, were made on May 24, 2025, living members of Christ's Church and Child of God. Blessings and congratulations to them and their family, the daughter & son of Robert & Brooke Zimmermann and BIG sister, Lilly and grandchildren of Robert & Rinda Zimmermann. Their sponsors were Kate Zimmermann, Megan Addison and Steven Addison.



### OUR SYMPATHY

Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Edna Martin, 101 years old, who passed away on May 12, 2025. She was the grandmother of Jennifer (Clayton) Mayfield and great grandmother of Tyler Maroney and Conner Maroney.

### FROM THE KITCHEN CARTEL



Our first Food Handler Class for 2025 was held on April 24<sup>th</sup> in the adult Sunday School room. There were 9 Zion members that attended as well as

3 ladies from Mt. Nebo Church. JJ Janssen was the instructor from our Victoria County Extension Service. There will be another class scheduled in July for those that would like to begin or continue their Food Handler certification. That date will be published in our July Messenger as well as our Sunday Church Bulletins. A special thank you goes to Kay Lagal, Sherilyn Arnecke, Irene Heinold, Darlette Mathisen, Bettie Pribyl, Sheron Alex, Seda Weaver and Shelley Sharp for attending.

If you have any questions or need further information, please let me know.

Darla Sifford,



Thank you to Pastor Meyer and the congregation of Zion for recognizing me for Administrative Professional's Day and the gift card. I truly love my job and my amazing boss.

Seda Weaver, Secretary

## CONGRATULATIONS!



We celebrate Senior Officer Sherry Hornstein on her 20 year anniversary with the Victoria Police Department! Thank you, Officer Hornstein for your continued dedication and professionalism throughout the years.

- VPD Public Relations



The congregation "Thanks you" for your service and dedication! May God always keep you safe.



## PICTURE MAKEUP

Pictures for pictorial directory are moving along. I hope to have all families in our new directory represented. **Anytime I'm here in attendance, I will take your picture before or after church.** I'm usually here around 9:00 am. **An alternative idea is to send me a current picture if you cannot be here or can have someone else take your own picture in the photo room.** In addition, the background will remain up and available for you.

Hoping to have finished by late June.

Judy Faulkner



## RECYLING INK CARTRIDGES

**How do we get rewards for recycling ink cartridges?** As a Reward Member of Office Depot, the church gets \$2 back in program rewards for each ink cartridge that we recycle, up to 10 cartridges per month. Qualifying purchases include any product or service purchase made in store or online. All brands of ink qualify for recycling rewards. This helps with the rising cost of supplies for the church. There is a basket on a shelf in the Narthex between the Men's & Ladies' Restrooms for your cartridges.



**BLOGS**



**WE'RE ON  
FACEBOOK!**



Did you know Pastor podcasts his sermons on-line at <https://podpoint.com/woodencrosses/>? You can listen on-line or download a sermon and listen later. If you prefer a written copy, he also blogs his sermons (and other miscellaneous writings) at <https://crossesandwoodshavings.blogspot.com/>. Feel free to use and share these resources with friends and family!

Entire Service on: Zion's Facebook page  
<http://www.facebook.com/zionmissionvalley/>

**\*\*\*\*\*We are trying to "boost" our social media (Facebook) and internet presence. If you are a Facebook user, go ahead and give us a "Like" at [facebook.com/ZionMissionValley](https://facebook.com/ZionMissionValley). We are posting several times a week with various memes, quotes, Q&A, and interesting articles. "Like" and share what you see, whether it's Sunday's service or a goofy meme! Also, be sure to click on the church webpage, <https://zionlutheranmv.org/> and let it load up. You don't even have to read it! It drives the algorithms to keep us closer to the top when people do searches for churches in the Victoria area.**



## **VICTORIA CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE** **MINISTRY**

Visit our website at: [www.vcamvictoria.org](http://www.vcamvictoria.org) or our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/vcam.org/> for VCAM services or news.

Services Provided for April 2025

Households Served – 1416, Total Number in households – 3569, Food Boxes – 1279, Basic Needs – 3392, Home Delivery – 19, Homeless Served – 209, Homeless Visits – 1038, First-time VCAM clients Served – 68

***Staple inventory items always in dire need in the pantry:***

***Rice (1 or 2 lbs. bags – uncooked), cereals (box or bag), 1lb. bag beans, pastas, tomato sauce.***

***The homeless population served at VCAM also increased. Homeless needs for perishable foods are not always the most cost-effective, so donations in this area to help meet the increased need are greatly appreciated. Donations of small hygiene kits are also encouraged:***

***Small Canned Meats & other proteins, peanut butter or cheese crackers, breakfast/granola bars, fruit/jello cups.***

Summer break starts this month. That usually means an increase in groceries for the home. That usually means an increase in client traffic at VCAM. Our food pantry inventory does not last long. It goes as fast we receive it. We are blessed that we have the means to provide, due to the generosity of others.

To the churches, businesses, organizations & individuals that give: thanks for allowing us to keep our pantry well stocked! Our prayers are that this continues on.

Of course, the most spiritual & practical way to give is in the form of monetary donations:



Blessings...*Marc*

Clients come on a once-a-month basis, while our homeless population is served on a daily basis.

***All services are provided free.***

Please continue to refer those who require our services to VCAM & please continue to support.

***“Providing hope when things seem  
hopeless...”23,152.15***



## **OGT UPDATE**

### **Orphan Grain Train**

We are thrilled to be open in our new building!

**Volunteer Opportunities** - We need you to help sort and box donations! Open every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings from 9:00am-Noon. No need to call, just show up as time works for your schedule...bring a friend, too. OGT is located at 5040 E Sam Houston Parkway S, 77505. To schedule a servant event for youth or small groups, connect with Holly [ogtvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:ogtvolunteer@gmail.com).

**Recent Distributions** - Your donations have provided much needed clothing for survivors of the flooding in the Rio Grande Valley. OGT delivered 300+ boxes to San Dimas where Pastor Weber with Immanuel Lutheran in Mercedes helps distribute items to families in need. Legacy Ranch Kids - Gonzales, The Warriors Refuge - West Columbia, Clothed by Faith - Deer Park, among others, have requested help from OGT. We are blessed to pass on the blessings we receive.

**Donation Drop Off** is every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 9:00am-noon. 5040 E Sam Houston Parkway S, 77505. New or gently used clothing, towels, bedding, shoes, coats. Undies and socks must be new in original packaging. Medical supplies - walkers, shower seats, etc., are also needed. Have an old bike...there is a need.

**Funds** - Each OGT Branch is responsible to raise funds to cover operation and shipment costs. We are staffed with an all-volunteer Board who rely on the Lord to touch the hearts of people. Often asked what we need most..the answer is whatever is on your heart...whether time or treasure.

**New Box Trailer** - we thank HighPoint Church, Friendswood who funded the purchase of a very spacious box trailer so we can pick up and deliver donations across Texas. God provides!

Visit [ogt.org](http://ogt.org) to read how Orphan Grain Train shares the Gospel and provides relief for human need worldwide.

Mike Rathje, Branch Manager 281-723-4989





### **PRAYER LIST**

To add another person's name to our prayer lists, you must be a member or active worshipping guest of Zion and identify yourself as the one requesting prayer for someone else. It is your responsibility to gain this permission! The church office reserves the right to edit prayer requests for publication.



### **REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS**

1. Bill Lagal
2. Cole Ohrt – friend of Zion
3. Holly Corey
4. Patricia Gonzales – friend of Richard & Joy Alex
5. Loma Chandler – Karen Wood's sister
6. James Morris, Sr.
7. JoNell Martin
8. Clemmie Cooley – friend of Bettye Pribyl
9. Ann Pantel – wife of Curtis Pantel
10. Leonard Denton – friend of Pastor Meyer's
11. Maudi Garcia – friend of Jacki Cooke
12. Jeanette Laza – cousin of Irene Heinold
13. Lisa Roman – niece of Cass Martignoni
14. Kamryn McDavid – granddaughter of Pribyl's
15. Mai Harwell
16. Dianne Laser – Laura Meyer's friend
17. Rose & Dalhardt Goebel
18. Derek Depine – step-son of Terry Depine
19. Allie Faulkner – Faulkner's granddaughter
20. Ken Sifford
21. Julie Heinold
22. Richard Bludau – friend of Reinecke's
23. Alissa Blount
24. Jodie Schaefer – friend of Barbara Schmidt
25. Becky Debore – friend of Irene Heinold
26. Glennie Bednorz – friend of JoNell Martin
27. Travis Weaver – brother of Ronny Weaver
28. Ava Soliz – Ann Heller's friend's daughter
29. Jim Krause
30. Priscilla Dornburg
31. Narmina Ibraghimova – friend of Faulkner's
32. Pauline Janak
33. Emily – friend of Ann Heller
34. Charles Krueger – Cass Martignoni's brother

35. Gail Hogan – Barbara Schmidt's cousin
36. Kenneth & Nancy Hahn – Faulkner's friends
37. Cindy & Jennifer Henderson – Randy Carter's sister & niece
38. Alan Wendel – brother of Mark Wendel
39. Holly Kersten -SIL to Peggy Polster
40. Christina Crosser – relative to Peggy Polster
41. Rosalind Lingerfelter
42. Shannon Barton – friend of Faulkner's
43. Jana Ragsdale – niece of Julie Heinold
44. Debbie Meyer
45. Irene Heinold
46. John Miles – Arnecke's friend
47. Yvonne Arnecke Meharg – Calton Arnecke & Darlette Mathisen's cousin
48. Pam Ficklen – niece of Barbara Schmidt
49. Landen Finn – grandson of Pat Zmeskal
50. Kim Gisler – relative to Jacki Cooke



### **VISITATION**

If you are in the hospital or would like a home visit, please call an Elder, Pastor or Church office.



Due to the privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify pastors when a member is admitted or treated. If you know of anyone being taken to the hospital (emergency or otherwise), or who is especially ill, please call an Elder, Pastor Meyer or contact the church office.



### **SHUT-INS**

Please continue to keep our shut-ins in your prayers and enliven their lives through visits, letters, and cards or phone calls.

Dalhardt & Rose Goebel  
P O Box 127  
Cuero, Tx 77954

James Morris, Sr.  
3472 FM 447  
Victoria, Tx 77905

Dan & Doris Nugent  
5404 FM 236  
Victoria, Tx 77905



### **BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES FOR JUNE**

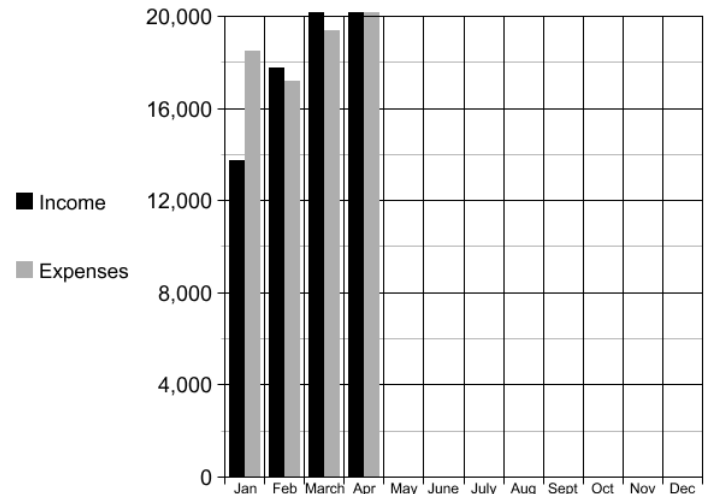
June 3 – Ray Alex, Shawna Stockton  
 June 5 – Stetson Sparck, Dalhardt Goebel  
 June 10 – Lydia Homan, Michelle Homan,  
 Richie Woytaszyk  
 June 11 – Peggy Spears  
 June 12 – Curtis Pantel  
 June 16 – Korgen Ramirez  
 June 19 – Richard Alex, Sheron Alex  
 June 23 – Olivia Heller  
 June 24 – Bill Lagal, Billy Lagal  
 June 26 – Barbara Schmidt  
 June 28 – Don Schneider  
 June 30 – Sherilyn Arnecke, Kastin Heinold



### **CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE**

June 2 – John Faulkner  
 June 3 – Stacey Hoefling  
 June 5 – Doug Bishop  
 June 7 – Joyce Morris  
 June 8 – Ky Zarate  
 June 9 – Hilbert Nagel  
 June 11 – Darren Weiser, Todd Brown,  
 Avery Adcock  
 June 13 – Barbara Schmidt, Katarina Zarate  
 June 15 – Marilyn Brown  
 June 17 – Carly Adcock, Piper Heller  
 June 20 – Bill Lagal  
 June 21 – Gary Dement, Lillian Heller  
 June 23 – Debbie Meyer  
 June 25 – Bea Fuchs  
 June 27 – Jacob Lester  
 June 28 – Luther Pick, Aria Raby

General Fund - 2025 Income vs Expenses



In the above chart, you can see our expenses and offerings. Our expenses totaled \$23,152.15; our offerings and other income totaled \$23,915.03 resulting in a budgeted "gain" of \$762.88. If you were to go back and look at these numbers for the last 8 months, you would notice the trend that our expenses were greater than offerings and income. In large part, this is due to the incredible increase in our property and liability insurance early in 2024. We share this with you so you are aware of how this is continuing to impact our overall ministry. Even as we continue to thank God for the many blessings He gives to Zion, including those of the financial offerings of His people, the Church Council and Church Office are being as mindful as possible about the stewardship of the church budget.



### **ERRORS AND/OR OMISSIONS**

The Messenger Staff wants to correct any errors and/or omissions. Please let the church office know promptly.

| CHURCH ATTENDANCE              |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Sunday, April 27 <sup>th</sup> | 64  |
| Sunday, May 4 <sup>th</sup>    | 121 |
| Sunday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>   | 134 |
| Sunday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>   | 82  |

## **THOUGHTS FOR FATHER'S DAY**



A careful man I ought to be; a  
little fellow follows me;  
I do not dare to go astray, for fear  
he'll go the self-same way.  
I cannot once escape his eyes;  
whate'er he sees me do, he tries —  
Like me, he says, he's going to  
be, the little chap who follows me.  
He thinks that I am good and

fine, believes in every word of mine:

The base in me he must not see, the little chap  
who follows me.

I must remember as I go, through summer's sun  
and winter's snow,

I'm building for the years to be, for a little fellow  
follows me.

—Author unknown

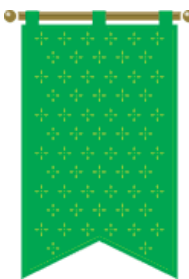
## **THE FIRST DAY OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



One summer afternoon, a  
grandfather picked up his 4-  
year-old grandson at church.  
“Well, Jason, how did you like  
your first day of vacation Bible  
school?”

“It was great!” the boy replied. “We heard some  
stories and drew some pictures. Then we went out to  
play, and when we came back in God had juice and  
cookies waiting for us!”

## **CHRISTIAN SYMBOL**



**GREEN** — Green is the traditional  
liturgical color for the weeks after  
Pentecost (as well as the season of  
Epiphany). The Pentecost season  
largely overlaps with spring and  
summer, which is fitting because  
green symbolizes growth: growth of  
plant life and crops, and growth of  
the church in discipleship and faith.

## **FYI**

### **CHURCH CONTACTS**

Sunday School – Board of Education/Youth  
Lutheran Youth Fellowship – Board of Education/Youth  
Altar Guild, Pauline Janak  
Blood Drive, Church Office  
Leaders Of Compassion, Shelley Sharp  
Peggy Polster  
Ladies of Love, Sherilyn Arnecke  
Library, Sherita Miller  
Memorials, Seda Weaver  
LWML President, Debbe Meyer  
Esther, Iris Heller  
Ladies Aid, Eva Cooke  
Rebecca/Ruth, Debbie Meyer  
Worship/Music Bd., Hilbert Nagel  
Church Secretary, Seda Weaver  
Sound System, David Miller  
Kitchen Cartel, Darla Sifford  
Board of Elders, David Miller  
Board of Trustees, Pauline Janak  
Board of Outreach, Judy Faulkner  
Board of Education/Youth, Jacki Cooke  
Candice Clay  
Board of Fellowship, Priscilla Dornburg  
Security & Safety, David Pribyl

### **CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President, Pat Zmeskal  
Vice-Pres., Pauline Janak  
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Elder, David Pribyl