

Announcements

New Prayer Requests

Dixie Tonozzi

Nia Jarosz for Health

Keith Jarosz

Gary Bruch Family

Please join us for fellowship refreshments after worship today. There is a new sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall if you would like to provide treats after worship.

*If you would like to make an announcement during worship, please request a microphone. Thank you!

Tune in to Pastor Alex every Sunday morning at 8:25 on 103.9 WLPO. Be sure to spread the word to your friends!

Join the CREW! Our Sunday School program, **CREW**, is meeting every Sunday at 9:00 AM. Kids in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us for stories, games, crafts, and activities that help build faith and friendships. We're excited to see you this Sunday!

Bible Study is on Tuesdays! We start at 6:30pm and you can participate in person at the church or Zoom on-line. The Zoom link can be found on our WEB page, zionperu.org. We will be discussing Episode 2 of season 4 of The Chosen. You can view that episode (and many other programs) by opening a free account on BYUtv. Let's continue to grow in faith and community together. See you Tuesday! All are welcome!

2026 Offering envelopes are available in the narthex. Zion Church again thanks you for your continued support during these hard times. Your generosity has been a blessing for the continued operation and mission of Zion

No Choir practice Wednesday February 11th or February 18th. We will practice on Sunday Feb. 15 & 22 at 9:00 am.

Ash Wednesday is February 18th and marks the beginning of the Lenten Season. Ecumenical Lenten Services are Wednesdays at 7:00pm during Lent.

February 18: *Ash Wednesday Service will be at Cherry UCC

February 25: Trinity UCC

March 4: Zion UCC

March 11: Spring Valley UCC

March 18: Waltham Presbyterian, Pastor Alex preaching

March 25: LaSalle Congregational

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday...7:00pm... Zion UCC

Good Friday.....Noon.....DePue UCC

Easter Sunday.....10:15am.. Zion UCC

Zion Diners will meet next on Thursday, February 19th at 6:00pm at Garzanelli's. Larry & Cheryl Grosenbach are your hosts. All are welcome!

The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 22nd after worship. If you have a report, please turn it into the office by Friday, February 13th.

Women's Guild meeting will resume on March 5th at 1:00pm All Women are Invited!

Living Lord's Supper – March 29

Zion Church will host a special Living Lord's Supper on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 PM. Come experience the story of Holy Communion in a meaningful, visual way as we remember Jesus' last meal with His disciples and reflect on His love and sacrifice. This service offers a powerful opportunity for worship, prayer, and remembrance for all ages. All are welcome—please join us!

Feeding the Future – The Illinois Valley Food Pantry launched a major fundraiser to fund their new building purchase, necessary renovations, and expanded food programs —so that we can continue to serve the growing number of individuals and families in need across our region. Local individuals, churches and businesses are joining together to make this vision a reality. Learn more or donate at www.ivfoodpantry.com or by contacting the Pantry directly.

Did you know? Copies of the hymns and large print bulletins are located in the Narthex.

Prayer Requests In the Bulletin We are grateful for the privilege of praying for one another. To help us keep our prayer list current, each new request will be included in the bulletin for four weeks. After that time, we will remove it unless we are asked to continue sharing it longer. If you would like a request to remain, please let us know—we want to walk alongside you in prayer for as long as you need.

Zion UCC is providing a delicious hot meal delivered to the **Peru PADS homeless shelter** each month. Every little bit helps us provide a nutritious meal each month through May. Write a check to the church and note "**PADS Meals.**" Or go online and donate through the Giving page on our website. Your donation helps provide a healthy, hearty meal to those who need it most. Thank you for your generosity and support in feeding the hungry!

HELP WANTED! Ushers: We are building a new Ushers List. If you previously served as usher and would like to serve again, we would like to add you to the new ushers list. Previously ushers served for an entire month. Ushers now will serve when they are available to serve even for a single Sunday. You can let Larry Gosenbach know you will serve as usher or email ushers@zionperu.org to be added to the ushers list. Evangelism: We are updating our visitor information about Zion church and will be creating a visitor packet that will contain our new updated information about Zion Church and a thank you gift or two for them visiting. If you would like to help the Evangelism Team with the visitor project you can let Pastor Alex, Jerry Koehler or email evangelism@zionperu.org.

Live Life (Pre and Post Transplant Support Group) meets the second Monday of each month at 6:30pm at Zion UCC.

The Compassionate Friends Group meets at Zion every fourth Thursday at 6:30pm. This meeting is open to any parent who has lost a child. Please contact the church office for information.

Weight Watchers is meeting every Saturday morning at 8:00 here at Zion. We're happy to provide space for this worthwhile service to our community.

Tonica Church is collecting personal hygiene products to give away. Items needed include: *Bar soap *Shower gel *Shampoo Razors *Deodorant *Toothbrushes *Toothpaste *Combs or Brushes *Contact Diane Gebhardt with any questions!

You can now donate to Zion by Text to (815)393-1954

Enter the amount you want to give to Zion in the Text box and send. If it's the first time you are giving by text you will be prompted to set up your giving method (credit card or bank account).

New copies of "These Days" are available in fellowship hall.

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Attendance February 8th : In Person: 46 + 9 children

On YouTube: 10

This week:

Tuesday, February 17th

6:30pm Bible Study

Wednesday, February 11th

NO CHOIR

7:00 Ash Wednesday @ Cherry UCC

Saturday, February 21st

8:00am Weight Watchers meeting

Sunday, February 22nd

8:25am Pastor Alex on WLPO

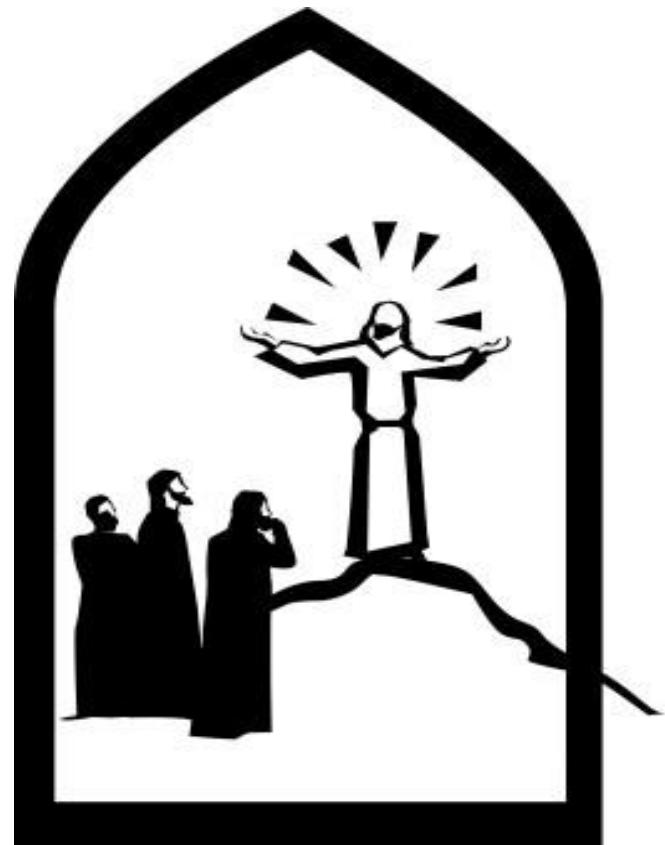
9:00am CREW

9:30am Choir practice

10:15am Worship in person or on You Tube

Annual Meeting

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