

# The Tidings

Zion Lutheran Church

June 2025



A Word from Your Interim Pastor:

The Value of ONE!

"Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it." +1  
Corinthians 12:27

Somx of us can rxcall thx days bxforx computxrs, laptops, IPads, and tablxts. My first xpxrixncx with a typxwritxr was on onx of thosx old school Undxrwood brands in ninth gradx. I forgxt thx modxl numbxr, but I Googld thx valux of somx of thxm and thx Undxrwood modxl #1 thxsx days can sxll for ovvr a thousand dollars as a vintagx antiqux! I belixvx wx probably gavx ours to Good Will whxn my family upgradxd to onx of thosx nxwxr Smith-Corona modxls that had thx ink cartridgx that could bx xjxctxd whxn you madx a mistakx and you could insxrt an xrasxr cartridgx to covxr thx xrror bxforx rx-insxrtng thx black ink and continuing typing. It was on such a finx pixcx of xquipmxnt as this Underwood, that it bxcamx obvious how onx kxy was so vxry important to the wholx as thxrx wxrx forty-six kxys that workxd just finx, but only onx missing kxy that was a hugx loss for thx wholx.

Somxtimxs pxoplx might think that if thxy arx missing from church, it is no big dxd. But as you can sxx-it makxs a hugx diffxrxncx for the wholx! Point is, your prxsxncx or lack thxrxof at Zion Luthxran Church makxs a big diffxrxncx. So nxxt timx you think your prxsxncx is not all that important at church, think again-bxcausx you are nxxdxd, valuxd and important to our church! I hopx to sxx you in worship!

Amxn? Amxn!

+Pastor Bobby Vitek



# Council Corner

## June 2025

Corrie Ten Boom asks “Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?” I love this question. Do you use prayer as a fall back only when things are difficult? Or is prayer leading the way each day? God tells us in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17 “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing... Don’t wait for huge things to pray. Start each day with prayer.”

Paul said, in Ephesians 4: 11-12, “And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ;” Different tasks, different skills, all working together to keep Zion moving forward. It takes everyone. There is progress every day. A seminar about transitions and the call process in June... There should be a core group in place for the search process by July. Our work is never actually done but the road forward is clearer each day. Corrie Ten Boom also said, “Don’t bother to give God instructions; just report for duty.” Show up. Bring your energy, your faith, and your skills to church. Join in, participate, and share with one another. Our strength is in our community, our entire congregation, working and worshiping together. Romans 15:5-6 “May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Martin Luther worked to keep the church alive and vibrant... “We need to pledge ourselves anew to the cause of Christ. We must capture the spirit of the early church.” And 1 Thessalonians 5:11 reminds us to “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”

Make prayer your steering wheel, report for duty, encourage one another. Keep it up. Do not ever forget that you are amazing!

Leslie North  
Council President

2025 LCMC TEXAS DISTRICT ANNUAL GATHERING & YOUTH GATHERING

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: Christian Hopfer, Steve Farnsworth, Trevor Sutton

*All in the Same Boat*

FEATURING: 18 Breakouts to choose from, Separate Youth Gathering & Lock-in, Great Food & Worship

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June 23rd-27th

Trek with us on the ultimate Alaskan adventure!

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Zion Lutheran Church, Kerrville

Youth Registration, Volunteer Registration

# Contact us!

**Website:** [www.zionkerrville.org](http://www.zionkerrville.org)

## **Staff:**

Financial Secretary- Diane Hartjen  
Church Secretary- Johnna Taylor  
Children, Youth, and Family- Gloria Shim  
Choir Director/ Organist- Judy Johnson  
Organist - Helen Steele  
Music Ministry Asst./Organist/Choir Accompanist -  
Jonathan Shim  
Contemporary Service Director- Dan Stisser  
Bell Choir Director- Jim Abbatiello  
Children's Center Director- Jessica Russell  
Nursery Attendant- Azure (Blue) and Heather  
Custodian- Freddy Ortegon  
Building & Grounds Coordinator - Ray Valero

## *Representatives*

Children's Center- Larry Cattran  
Property- Mike Collins  
Outreach- Patty Putnam  
Worship & Music- Kimber Rhoads  
Parish Education - Jana Nolan  
Stewardship - John Miller  
Safety - Gary Hartjen

## *Church Council Officers*

President- Leslie North  
Vice President- Tammy Myers  
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Treasurer- Eric Roehl  
Church Council: [zion-council@zionkerrville.org](mailto:zion-council@zionkerrville.org)

### **A Message from the James H. Smith family**

Don't ask us "How are you doing?" Just  
ask us "What's happening?"

Thank you for all the cards of sympathy  
and memories shared. The love of Zion  
Cares is treasured. It is wonderful to  
have a church family like Zion Lutheran.

With love and thanks again to all,

**Shirley & Jenny Smith**

### **Thank You**

Sharon and I would like to thank our  
wonderful and gracious Zion family  
for all your prayers, calls, visits, food,  
and love.

We are so blessed to be able to call  
Zion our church and our family! God  
has so richly blessed us with you!

**Mark & Sharon Bigott**

# Worship and Music Notes

Judy Johnson

When I sang in my high school choir, we learned many songs from Broadway plays and movies, one of which was “June Is Bustin’ Out All Over” from Carousel. Looking at my garden, I would certainly agree! My list of what’s blooming gets longer each week. One of my favorite Bible verses is Genesis 2:8.

***Now the Lord God had planted a garden  
in the east, in Eden...***

It doesn’t say He created or made a garden or spoke it into existence; it says He planted a garden. Being a gardener myself, I find that so endearing. I can just see God Almighty with a hoe, some seeds and a watering can! Having set the plants/seeds in the ground and watered them, God then put Adam in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

The miracle of growth from a tiny seed is certainly an awesome thing. And if it is to thrive, it needs deep watering. If we are to survive life’s dry times, our delight in God’s Word is a continual process. Psalm 1: 3 says,

***He [whose delight is in the law of the Lord] is like a tree  
planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither.***

## A Christian Garden

*Five rows of P’s:* Prayer, Perseverance, Politeness, Promptness, Preparedness

*Three rows of Squash:* Squash criticism, Squash gossip, Squash indifference

*Four rows of Turn-ups:* Turn up at church, Turn up with tithes/offering, Turn up with a smile, Turn up with a visitor

*Five rows of Let-us:* Let us be faithful to God, Let us be generous with our time, Let us be truthful, Let us love one another, Let us pray

## Zion Cares

Zion Cares would like to serve you. Do you need communion, visitation, prayer or an occasional meal? Contact Roslyn Bell at 979-966-3954 or [roslyn.bell51@yahoo.com](mailto:roslyn.bell51@yahoo.com).

Zion Cares and so do we!



## Zion Stewardship

### Opportunities for Giving at Zion Lutheran Church

Dear Zion Family,

As your stewardship chairman, I am excited to share several opportunities for giving that you may find helpful:

1. **\*\*Offering Plate\*\***: You can place your check or cash in the offering plate. To ensure you receive an end-of-year giving statement (especially if you itemize deductions), it is best to use an envelope with your name on it.
2. **\*\*Bank Bill Pay\*\***: You can have your donation automatically sent from your bank to Zion using a bill pay system. You may set this up to send payments automatically on specific dates or manually as needed. This method is particularly convenient if you are unable to attend worship due to travel, illness, or other circumstances.
3. **\*\*IRA Distributions\*\***: If you are taking distributions from an IRA, you may save on taxes by making direct contributions to a qualified charity. Please consult your tax advisor for details specific to your situation.
4. **\*\*Online Giving\*\***: You may also donate through our webpage using PayPal or a debit/credit card.
5. **\*\*Text Giving\*\***: We are excited to announce that we will soon offer text giving as an option. This is an ideal solution for those who prefer not to carry checks or cash.

We are incredibly grateful for our members who continue to share their time, talent, and treasure with Zion. Your commitment and generosity have been invaluable, especially during these challenging months. We are also blessed with the leadership and spiritual guidance of our interim Pastor, Bobby Vitek, who has been doing a tremendous job shepherding the flock.

As we look ahead to the next chapter at Zion, may the Holy Spirit guide us in all our decisions, and may God continue to bless Zion Lutheran Church abundantly.

Blessings,

John Miller  
Stewardship Chairman

2 Corinthians 8:3: "For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability."

# June Worship Assistants

**Liturgists:** Brenda Abbatiello, Kimber Rhoads, Carol Greene, Beth Taylor, Jonathan Shim

**Ushers:** Penny & Gary Reichenau and Gay & Tom Klaerner

<b>June 1</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Reader:</b> Beth Taylor <b>Reader:</b> Sharon Turlington <b>Altar Flowers:</b> <b>Children's Message:</b> Judy Johnson
<b>June 8</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Reader:</b> Larry Cattran <b>Reader:</b> Tammy Callcott <b>Altar Flowers:</b> Caryn & Bob Gates <b>Children's Message:</b> M/M Shim
<b>June 15</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Reader:</b> Tammy Gold <b>Reader:</b> Walt Meyer <b>Altar Flowers:</b> Lolita Holczer <b>Children's Message:</b> Shelby Balser
<b>June 22</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Reader:</b> Bob Hartman <b>Reader:</b> Helen Johnson <b>Altar Flowers:</b> Karen Jones <b>Children's Message:</b> Carol Greene
<b>June 29</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Reader:</b> John Nielsen <b>Reader:</b> Katy Kappel <b>Altar Flowers:</b> Candy & Tom Hakeman <b>Children's Message:</b> M/M Shim

If you would like to provide altar flowers on any Sunday, please sign up on the flower chart in the narthex or call the office at 830-257-8411.

*Happy Birthday!*



6/1 Curtis Clute  
6/1 Daniel Haverlah  
6/3 Thomas Bryant  
6/3 Bonnie Zysko  
6/4 Marvin Gast  
6/4 Vicki Mielke  
6/5 Mark Bigott  
6/5 Rachel Taylor Vanegas  
6/6 Ronald Krueger  
6/7 Sandra Stisser

6/8 Rebecca Priess  
6/8 Gladys Rock  
6/13 Lexi Callcott  
6/13 A. J. Raso  
6/15 Bobby Wilke  
6/16 Donna Jenschke  
6/17 Beck Gipson  
6/18 Katy Kappel  
6/19 Elizabeth Bryant  
6/19 Roger Lampman Jr.

6/19 Rick Louk  
6/19 Christopher Platt  
6/19 Gerd Rohleder  
6/19 Evan Salinas  
6/20 Edith McCanless  
6/22 Bethany Brown  
6/23 Thomas Myers  
6/23 Helen Steele  
6/24 June Oehler

6/26 Jana Nolan  
6/27 Billy Widner Jr.  
6/29 Tom Hakeman  
6/29 Sherri Walters



# WOMEN of the WORD

**EVENTS:** On Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> all Zion ladies are invited to a “Hang-Ups and Crafts” Seminar by Carol Greene in the fellowship hall. Please watch your email for additional information. Fellowship Breakfast Group meets on the second Monday each month, June 9, at 9:00 at Cracker Barrel. The WOW Board will meet on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in the conference room. All Zion ladies are welcomed to visit.

**Tuesday, June 3rd** – Mary/Martha Circle will meet at noon in the conference room. They will continue with a Joyce Meyer study. Please text Brenda Abbatiello at (830) 496-6608 for more information.

**Thursday, June 5th** -Ruth/Rebecca Circle will meet at 9:30 in the conference room. Their study is A Woman Jesus Can Teach by Alice Matthews.

**Thursday, June 12th**-Deborah Circle will meet at 2:00 in the conference room. Their study is Honesty with God, Learning to pray from the PSALMS by Dan Schaeffer.

**Magdalene Evening Circle** meets at 6:00 pm the first and third Tuesdays in the conference room. Their study is on the book, Bad Girls of the Bible.

Zion Cares Ministry: If you know of someone who might benefit from a casserole or has other needs, please contact the church office.

**Help is needed with the Quilt Ministry. Thank you!**

## Flower Ministry: 254 and Counting

Since the founding of this Ministry in August 2024, a total of 254 arrangements of flowers, including poinsettias and Easter Lilies, have been delivered to folks in need, to those in appreciation of efforts served and to local charities. Smiles abound when the recipients get these unexpected delights along with a light conversational visit from one of our dedicated delivery team members.

A special “Thank You” goes out to those that have generously donated their purchased altar flowers to the Flower Ministry as well as to those that have donated vases. We could not do it without you! In addition, another special “Thank You” goes to the dedicated flower arrangers and to the delivery team members who volunteer their time to make this happen!

As part of our growth, we are now also assisting the “Holy Casserolers” by offering and bringing their delicious meals to those on our weekly deliveries. Folks in need are truly being cared for by Zion.

Currently, we are in need of more bud vases. Those with a 1”-2” opening are ideal for our mission and for our delivery team. If you see any at a garage sale, in your storage or wherever, we could sure put them to good use!

Finally, with summer here, we could use a few substitute delivery drivers to fill in for those away. If you could invest 2 hours on one Monday per month and can handle delivering happiness; please call Karen Jones, Chairperson, at 518-366-2856. Thank you !

# June 2025



## Every Sunday

8:30 Prayer Cell

9:00 Traditional Worship

10:10 Children's Sunday School

11:00 Contemporary Worship

All activities are subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Communion 9 & 11 Service 10:05 Congregational Meeting 10:10 Lutheranism 101 for kids 12:30 VBS Volunteer Meeting/Lunch 6:00 NA	<b>2</b> 9:00 Lifeline Screening 12:00 Womens AA 4:00 Fbg. Community Orchestra 5:30 Men's Bible Study 6:00 Ladies Reflection AA 6:00 Lenz Bible Study 7:00 Zion Recovery	<b>3</b> 9:00 LWR Quilting 10:00 Staff Mtg 12:00 AA 12:00 Mary/Martha 6:00 Magdalene 6:30 Men's Group	<b>4</b> 9:00 VBS Decorating 10:00 ZLCC Chapel 12:00 Women's AA 5:30 Potluck for No Reason 7:00 AA	<b>5</b> 9:00 LWR Sewing 9:00 VBS Decorating 9:30 Ruth/Rebecca 10:00 Ladies Bible Class 12:00 NA 6:00 Praise team rehearsal 7:00 Nar-Anon	<b>6</b> 5:30 AA 7:00 Speaker Mtg	<b>7</b> 10:00 AA 10:00 NA
<b>8</b> 9 & 11 Service 10:10 Lutheranism 101 for kids 12:30 VBS Volunteer Training/Lunch 6:00 NA	<b>9</b> 9:00 WOW Fellowship Breakfast 11:30 WOW board mtg 12:00 Womens AA 4:00 Fbg. Com Orch 5:00 Zion Cares 5:30 Men's Bible Study 6:00 Ladies Reflection AA 6:00 Lenz Bible Study 7:00 Zion Recovery	<b>10</b> 9:00 LWR quilting 9:00 Holy Casserollers 10:00 Staff Mtg 12:00 AA Meeting 5:30 Church Council	<b>11</b> 9:00 VBS Decorating 10:00 ZLCC Chapel 12:00 Women's AA 5:00 R.O.C.K./Little Rock Group 5:00 YAG 7:00 AA	<b>12</b> 9:00 LWR Sewing VBS Decorating 10:00 Ladies Bible Class 12:00 NA 2:00 Deborah Circle 6:00 Praise team rehearsal 7:00 Nar-Anon	<b>13</b> 5:30 AA 7:00 Speaker Mtg	<b>14</b> 10:00 AA 10:00 NA
<b>15</b> Communion 9 & 11 Service 10:10 Lutheranism 101 for kids 6:00 NA <b>Father's Day</b> Fajitas with Fathers	<b>16</b> 9:00 Hill Country Quilt Guild 11:30 ZLCC Board Mtg 12:00 WM AA 4:00 Fbg Community Orchestra 5:30 Men's Bible Study 6:00 Ladies Reflection AA 6:00 Lenz Bible Study 7:00 Zion Recovery	<b>17</b> 9:00 LWR Quilting 9:00 Hill Country Quilt Guild 10:00 Staff Mtg 12:00 AA Meeting 6:00 Magdalene 6:30 Men's Group	<b>18</b> 9:00 VBS Decorating 10:00 ZLCC Chapel 12:00 Women's AA 7:00 AA	<b>19</b> 9:00 LWR Sewing 9:00 VBS Decorating 10:00 Ladies Bible Class 6:00 Praise team rehearsal 7:00 Nar-Anon	<b>20</b> 5:30 AA 7:00 Speaker Mtg	<b>21</b> 10:00 AA 10:00 NA
<b>22</b> 9 & 11 Service 10:10 Lutheranism 101 for kids 12:15 Bryce Formwalt LCMC Transitions Mtg followed by lunch 6:00 NA	<b>23</b> 9:00 VBS 12:00 WM AA 4:00 Fbg Community Orchestra 5:00 Zion Cares 5:30 Men's Bible Study 6:00 Ladies Reflection AA 6:00 Lenz Bible Study 7:00 Zion Recovery	<b>24</b> 9:00 VBS 9:00 LWR Quilting 10:00 Hill Co Quilt Guild 10:00 Staff Mtg 12:00 AA	<b>25</b> 9:00 VBS 10:00 ZLCC Chapel 12:00 Women's AA 5:00 R.O.C.K./Little R.O.C.K. Group 5:00 YAG 7:00 AA	<b>26</b> 9:00 VBS 9:00 LWR Sewing 10:00 Ladies Bible Class 12:00 NA 6:00 Praise team rehearsal 7:00 Nar-Anon	<b>27</b> 9:00 VBS 5:30 AA 7:00 Speaker Mtg	<b>28</b> 9:00 WOW "Hangups" Seminar 10:00 AA 10:00 NA
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# Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt  
Director of Mission Growth



## Has Jesus Fallen Asleep?

This year's theme is "All in the Same Boat." We all face challenging "storms" both as individual followers of Jesus as well as communities of disciples gathered into our local congregations. In this series of Mission Moment articles, we are unpacking this Bible story as we discover the hope we have in Jesus through every time of trouble. Last month we focused on our first lesson, that Jesus was in the boat with the disciples the entire time! At no point were they alone in their situation. But that raises an important second question: Has Jesus fallen asleep? Let this be our wake-up call (pun intended). Our second lesson to learn from this story: Keep Jesus awake!

I think it is great that scriptures record moments like this. It reminds us that Jesus was fully human: Jesus would get hungry and so he ate. He would get tired and so he slept. But I also love it as a metaphor for the state of our relationship with Jesus. Have we left Jesus alone and disengaged with him? Has our faith become sleepy and are we taking Jesus' presence for granted? Have we forgotten about him? Do we have an attitude perhaps like the first disciples: "We got this... after all we are fishermen and are the experts!" And as the storm raged around them, Jesus was right there. But because the disciples left Jesus to drift off to sleep, it was almost as if he wasn't.

One of our common mistakes in the life of faith is to not activate Jesus. While Jesus is right there, so often we drift off to do our own things in life and leave Jesus be. We neglect reading the Bible or spending time in prayer or listening for him to speak. We approach our lives as if we are the experts and are in control and only call on Jesus in a panic when all seems to go wrong. We cry out "Don't you care!" Of course, Jesus cares. But the Lord also wants our faith to be active and engaged, not sleepy and withdrawn.

Living as a disciple is seldom easy. And ministry as a congregation is full of new challenges. And we remember that we are All in the Same Boat! And Jesus is with us... but have we left him to fall asleep? As we seek to weather all the storms of life, I pray that we remember to keep Jesus awake. And as we live more deeply into an intimate walk with Jesus, we will not ever doubt the Lord's care for us in perilous situations.

Our Annual Gathering is July 25-26 in Victoria, Texas. Register online: [www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering](http://www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering)

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at [www.harvestworkers.net](http://www.harvestworkers.net)). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or [bryce@lcmctexas.org](mailto:bryce@lcmctexas.org).

# **What's Happening at Zion Lutheran Children's Center**

*ZLCC is an outreach ministry of Zion Lutheran Church; serving the Kerrville Community by providing Quality Education in a Nurturing Christian Environment.*

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## **June Birthdays**

Cirilla  
Jayce  
Emily

Sarah



## **Special Days in June**

**13th: Donuts with Dad**

**15th: Father's Day**

Calling all Dad's , Join us on the 13th from 7:30—9:00, for donuts with your child.



## **Curriculum**

Week 1: Oceans

Week 2: Ocean Life

Week 3: Boats and Ships

Week 4: Fabulous Fathers



## **Bible Focus**

Week 1: In the Beginning

Week 2: Adam and Eve

Week 3: Noah Listens and Obeys

Week 4- Abraham



Please join us for Sunday Services

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 n.m.

Sunday School

10:00 a.m.

All are welcome

**Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will  
see God.  
Matthew 5:8**




God is Good!



# Foundations Christian Academy

As we close another remarkable school year, we want to take a moment to thank you for being a vital part of our community. Your support, encouragement, and prayers have made a significant impact, helping us guide the next generation of Christian leaders. We hope this summer break provides you with a time of rest, reflection, and growth as a family.



## Important Dates:

- ★ 6/1 - Landon's Birthday
- ★ 6/2 - Amelia's Birthday
- ★ 6/8 - National Best Friend's Day
- ★ 6/14 - Flag Day
- ★ 6/23 - Ryan's Birthday

***"From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the Lord is to be praised."***

**-Psalm 113:3**

## Contact Information for the School

Email: [faofkerrville@gmail.com](mailto:faofkerrville@gmail.com)

Phone number: (830)370-1828

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Zion Lutheran Church for graciously allowing us to use their facilities this past year. Their generosity and partnership have provided a welcoming and inspiring environment for our students to learn, grow, and thrive. We are truly blessed to share a mission of faith, education, and community, and we appreciate their continued support as we work together to shape the next generation of Christian leaders.

## Summer Safety Tips

As we step into the summer months, it's important to stay safe while making the most of the season. Here are a few practical tips to keep your family safe:

- **Sun and Heat Safety:** Stay hydrated, wear sunscreen, and take breaks in the shade during outdoor activities to avoid heat exhaustion and sunburn.
- **Water Safety:** Always swim with a buddy, use life jackets when boating, and keep a close eye on young swimmers.
- **Bug and Wildlife Awareness:** Protect against ticks and mosquitoes with proper clothing and repellents, and check for ticks after outdoor adventures.
- **Digital Safety:** Set healthy screen time boundaries and remind kids to use the internet wisely and securely.
- **Stranger Awareness:** Remain aware of your surroundings, always have a friend/family member with you in public places, and be able to reach a trusted adult in an emergency.





## Bring God's Children to Church

It gives children an early sense of spiritual belonging.

"Do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14).

It embeds essential habits in children.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."  
(Proverbs 22:6)

It will introduce children to the God of glory.

"For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." (Heb. 12:11)

CHILD,  
YOUTH, AND  
FAMILY

JUNE 2025

- All who made "Muffins With Moms" extra special!
- Our donors for "Sponsor a VBS Camper."
- Donations for the Shim Trio Reception Party
- Supporters Foundations Academy and it's graduates!

Thank  
You!



### Important Dates

June 1st- VBS Volunteer Meeting/Lunch  
12:30pm

June 8<sup>th</sup>- VBS Volunteer Training/Lunch  
12:30pm

Wed/Thurs in June- VBS Decorating  
9am-12pm or 1pm-3pm

June 23-June 27 True North VBS 2025  
9am-12pm



# ZION LUTHERAN'S PROJECT HOPE CLOSET

**Foster &  
Community  
Closet**



**Scan to submit  
youth referral**



## ABOUT US

Zion Lutheran's Project Hope Closet serves and supports the needs of children, youth, and teens in the community. Our primary focus is on foster, adoptive, and kinship families in Kerr, Gillespie, Medina, Bandera, Kimble and Kendall counties. We work with caseworkers, counselors and foster families. Zion Lutheran's Project Hope Closet provides **free** clothing, shoes, hygiene products, and other needed items for children while simultaneously offering multi-faceted support to the families entrusted to love and nurture God's children. Zion Lutheran's Project Hope Closet is a part of the Zion Lutheran Church Child, Youth and Family ministry.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

### CLOTHING/SHOES

**01**

Donate new/gently used clothing such as pants, shirts, pajamas, shoes, etc. and new underwear, socks, diapers, pull-ups. Sizes for children ages 0-17.

### HYGIENE PRODUCTS

**02**

Donate shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, dental floss, toothbrushes, toothpaste, wipes, lotions.

### GIFT CARDS

**03**

Walmart or Visa/Mastercard gift cards in any amount help us fill in the gaps in clothing sizes and hygiene items.

**ONLINE DONATIONS MAY BE MADE BY GOING TO THE WEBSITE LISTED BELOW AND CLICKING ON "DONATE NOW". LIST PROJECT HOPE IN THE NOTES.**



<https://ZLCKerrvilleTX.org>

**ZION LUTHERAN'S PROJECT HOPE CLOSET**

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, 624 BARNETT ST, KERRVILLE, TX 78028**



