

THIS WEEK WE PRAY:

>for our members and friends with special needs: Dan, Margaret, Isabelle, Ingrid, Marlene, Jack, John, Darlene, Willi, Al, Melinda, Mike, Brian, Sharon, Bruce, Susan, Nya, Donna, Brian, Jim, Lynnette, Al, Brock, Cathy, Katana, Brian, Jim, Glenn and Kolby;
>for those who have no one to pray for them.

THIS WEEK AT ZION:

<u>Mon. September 4</u>	OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOUR DAY 2:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry in Parlour
<u>Tues. September 5</u>	9:30 AM Chair Yoga in Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM Worship & Music Meeting in Parlour
<u>Wed. September 6</u>	9:00 AM Quilters Return to Fellowship Hall 1:00 PM Avon Menn. Prayer Group in their office
<u>Sun. September 13</u>	10:00 AM Worship

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH AS WE WORSHIP

Greeters: Darrell & Judy Renecker	Reader: Carmen Beck
Usher Captain: Darrell Renecker	Counting Captain: NO COUNTERS
Altar: Shirley Whittaker	House of Blessing: Irvin Riehl

Matthew 16:24, ESV



...let him
deny himself
and take up his cross
and follow me.

Sunday, September 3, 2023

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Pentecost 14

September 3, 2023

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Prayer of the Day:

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm: 26:1-8

Second Reading: Romans 12:9-21

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

Sermon: https://www.youtube.com/live/6QYief63yAc?si=aZ0XITeP9WqU_z55

Hymn 870: “We Praise You, O God”

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Zion Lutheran Church welcomes our **visitors and guests**. We are pleased that you have come to join us in the worship of our God of grace and love. May you be strengthened and uplifted in our time together. *Please sign our guest register and make yourself known to Pastor Jeff.* We hope that you will plan to be with us, again, at your earliest opportunity.

All people of faith and those who seek faith are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This morning, we will be distributing the Lord’s Supper in a continuous fashion. Trays holding individual cups of wine are on stands at either side of Pastor Jeff for those wishing to receive wine. The ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the center aisle.

Please note that masks are now “optional or personal preference”. Disposable masks remain at all entrances for those wishing to continue to wear one.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO WORSHIP SERVICE AT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH AS

RALLY SUNDAY TAKES PLACE: next Sunday, September 10.

We will meet at Upper Queens Park at 11:00 a.m. for our Service.

There will be a brown bag lunch (bring your own) afterwards. Bring your lawn chair as seating is limited. We look forward to seeing everyone on September 10 at 11:00 a.m.

BETHEL COMMUNITY MEAL: The first Bethel Community Meal for fall is on *Wednesday, September 13th at 5:15 p.m.* in the Fellowship Hall.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Pastor Jeff has begun preparing for Confirmation Class which will commence in October, 2023. If you have a child you would like to be included in the upcoming Confirmation Class, please contact Pastor Jeff at 519-271-8527 or by email laustsen311@gmail.com

HOUSE OF BLESSING: We have received an updated list of items for August which are currently needed at the House of Blessing. To help the House of Blessing with their significant increase in the number of people using their services since this time last year, as you are able, if you could bring **canned meat or boxes of crackers** and place them in the basket at the entrance of the church. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those in need.

ST PAUL'S BREAKFAST CLUB: St. Paul's Anglican Church is planning to continue their Breakfast Club program into the Fall after a successful summer. With the financial partnership of Langlois Law, they will continue to offer a continental-style breakfast twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M. Volunteer support from both their congregation and fellow churches in the Stratford community are needed to make this pilot program a success. For more information please see the enclosed insert.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY HURON-PERTH EVENTS IN AUGUST

We have, once again, been asked by Christie Bannerman, Public Education Coordinator to share the upcoming programs taking place in August, 2023. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for more information.

Please note: the “Education Hour” is a one-hour virtual presentation. If you are unable to participate in this program at home, you are welcome to participate by going to the West Perth Public Library, 105 St. Andrew Street in Mitchell. (519-348-9234) Calling ahead is not necessary.

Alzheimer Society

HURON PERTH

EDUCATION HOUR

Join our Public Education Coordinators for one-hour virtual presentations on brain health, cognitive changes and dementia. Bring your questions!

Thursday August 10
1:30 P.M.

[Dementia 101](#)

Thursday August 17
1:30 P.M.

[Brain Health 101](#)

Thursday August 24
1:30 P.M.

[What is MCI](#)

Thursday August 31
1:30 P.M.

[Living Safely with Dementia](#)

Thursday September 7
1:30 P.M.

[10 Warning Signs](#)

Thursday September 14
1:30 P.M.

[Types of Dementia](#)

Thursday September 21
1:30 P.M.

[Brain Changes 8 A's](#)

Thursday September 28
1:30 P.M.

[Communication Tips](#)

Self-Register:

www.alzheimer.ca/huronperth

Questions: 519-482-1482 or 519-271-1910



St. Paul's

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August 15th, 2023

St. Paul's Breakfast Club - Volunteer Job Description

St. Paul's Anglican Church is planning to continue our Breakfast Club program into the Fall after a successful summer. With the financial partnership of Langlois Law, we will continue to offer a continental-style breakfast twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30-9:30 am. This is an opportunity to both meet a need in the wider community and to build relationships with our neighbours. Volunteer support from both our congregation and fellow churches in the Stratford community are needed to make this pilot program a success. Volunteers will be required to assist with the following tasks:

- Setting up tables and chairs
- Putting out food and drink for breakfast guests and replenishing supplies when needed
- Monitoring the use of toasters and other relevant equipment
- Visiting with breakfast guests (you are welcome to eat, too!)
- Washing dishes
- Tearing down tables and chairs, and clean-up

We are seeking to staff 5 volunteers per shift, which will last from 7 to 10 am.

If any of these tasks are within your capability and you are interested in participating in this program, please reach out to **Mother Allie McDougall**, at alliemcdougall@diohuron.org to discuss your availability and be added to the schedule.