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Oklee Lutheran Parish

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Salem Lutheran Church
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November 2024

Check out our website: OkleeLutheran.org

Marijo Vik, SAM

As the current pastor or SAM (Synod Authorized Minister) for the Oklee Lutheran Parish, I've been asked to share some information about myself. This is probably more than you ever wanted to know!

I'm a Midwest girl, born in Omaha, Nebraska, in December 1945 at the end of World War II. My maternal grandparents raised me until I was 14 years old, then I lived with my mother and stepfather, three half-brothers, and three half-sisters in Fort Calhoun, NE.

When I was 17, I married my high school sweetheart, who was serving in the U.S. Army. I moved with him wherever he was assigned, and we lived in Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Germany, Colorado, and California. No matter where we lived, I could find a job in local insurance offices.

After coming home from the jungles of Vietnam with a severe case of PTSD, my husband was stationed in Colorado, where I attended school to become a licensed practical nurse. But I didn't graduate because he went AWOL. He served a year in the brig and was discharged from the military, so we returned to Omaha. We were divorced in 1971 because he wanted a new life with a new wife. He immediately remarried. I turned to alcohol.

While working nights as a waitress in Omaha, I met a man from Minnesota; we married in 1974 and moved to Gardner, North Dakota. I continued to work in the insurance industry as an agent. In 1981, we adopted a nine-year-old boy, Mark, from Lutheran Social Services. Within a year, my younger sister was electrocuted in her home, and we took her three children, Norman, age 8, Jerome, age 5, and Jolene, age 2, to raise.

Three things happened: I stopped drinking, I took my children to church to be baptized, and I became involved in teaching Sunday School.

During this time, I went to school to become a paramedic. Once I received my license as a paramedic, I worked at the Detroit Lakes ambulance service at night and at American Crystal



Sugar Company in the Corporate Office by day.

For many years, my husband abused me, emotionally and physically, and when he broke my arm in 1988, I left with the four children and moved to a rental in Detroit Lakes. At American Crystal, I had begun as the secretary to the treasurer, then moved into management and training jobs, which doubled my salary. With my additional income, I purchased a home in Detroit Lakes and began attending classes at Moorhead State University.

In 1991, when we were both 45 years old, I married Eugene Vik, a farm boy and business owner (auto body and repair shop) from Ada. For the first ten years of our marriage, we maintained separate homes because we could not find something that would address all our needs, and the children did not want to change schools. We made it work, and by 1997, all the children were living independently.

That year, I was recruited by an international consulting company. I was assigned to work with clients that included Lockheed Martin Space Systems, DirecTV, Informix, ITT Industries, DeZurik, Bridge Information Systems, and TRW Automotive, with locations throughout the United States, Ireland, New Zealand, and Australia.

I moved to Arizona, and Eugene lived with me in the winter, joining me on all those trips overseas. Gene and I also visited Norway and Sweden three times to discover our roots, and we traveled to Japan to attend a car show.

After September 11, 2001, I stopped traveling, sold my property in Arizona, and returned to live in Ada.

In 2002, I was hired as office manager for Grace Lutheran Church in Ada. It was here that I felt God's call and took

classes in an ELCA project called GIFTS (Growing in Faith To Serve), which prepared me for a life in Christ.

In 2008, I received a certificate from the NW MN Synod signed by Bishop Wohlraabe recognizing me as a lay minister. For the



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• The Parish Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 12th** at 7:00 p.m.

• Zion's next council meeting is **Wednesday, December 4th** at 7:00 p.m.

• Salem's next council meeting is **Tuesday, December 10th** at 6:30 p.m.

**Please attend your meetings!
It is important to be there to support your church & community.**



Birthdays & Anniversaries

November Birthdays

- 1: Dustin Knutson
- 3: Paige Olson
- 5: Claire Whalen
- 7: Ellie Halverson
- Dennis Linder
- 10: Jill Kolstoe
- Parker Klasen
- 11: Jane Kolstoe
- 16: Morris Hendrickson
- 18: Sophie Linder
- 21: Lonny Cote
- Hazel Bakken
- 23: Carlee Whalen
- 24: Jenny O'Neill
- Zelene Kimball
- 30: Owen O'Neill

Anniversaries

None

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary, contact Bonny Cote at 218-796-4688 or email: bcote@okleelutheran.org

Salem's Annual Christmas Cookie Sale

is around the corner on December 7th, Santa Day in Oklee at the Hall.



Salem News



First Communion
Salem's 1st Communion for 5th graders and their families will be on **November 3rd**

Salem WELCA Meets

This month the meeting is set for Wednesday, **November 6th** at 7:00 p.m. Shirley Dessellier is the Hostess.

All ladies of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

New Members/Births recognized

Salem will honor its babies baptized in the past year and it's new members on November 24th. They will be recognized during the service and a reception will follow the service.

Salem Noisy/Quiet

Salem will be collecting a noisy/quiet offering for the ELCA Good Gifts program on Nov. 24. This money goes to purchase animals for ELCA's program which helps individuals learn to farm and raise animals for food and clothing. We have purchased goats, bees, chickens and more in the past.

Salem Working on a History Book, Need Family Histories

Note: Please try to have them in by December 1. An idea sheet to get you started can be downloaded from the Salem page on the OkleeLutheran.org website.

At the 2023 Salem annual meeting, July 13, 2025, was set as a date to celebrate Salem's 130th anniversary since the 125th anniversary fell during covid. As part of the celebration we will be putting together a new history book. We'd like to include a section on family histories in the book. Some possible things to include in your family history are the family members, marriage year, parents, children, grandchildren, occupations, family connection to Salem, anything you'd like to share about your family for future generations. Please include a picture or two. Articles and photos may be emailed to Alice Hofstad at alicehofstad@okleelutheran.org.

We are looking at a deadline of Dec 1, 2024, for including family histories. Don't wait until your backs are against the wall! You might want to do a little research of your own about your family!

... Marijo Vik Continued

next 16 years, I was listed on the Pulpit Supply list and filled in many times for churches as "preacher for a day." I also served as worship leader three Sundays a month at a nursing home in Halstad, MN.

During this time, I held many other jobs, some two and three at a time: shift administrator at the American Crystal Sugar Company, East Grand Forks factory; reporter for the Twin Valley Times; overnight cashier at Wal-Mart, Dilworth, MN; substitute librarian for the Agassiz Regional Library; office manager for Immanuel Lutheran Church, Hendrum, MN; and accounts payable/receivable manager for Schnabel, Inc. in Hendrum.

It may seem chaotic, but I had a plan: I needed jobs that could accommodate my schedule. I felt called to finish my college education with a bachelor's degree so that I could attend seminary. I returned to school at Minnesota State University-Moorhead in 2016 and graduated with honors in May 2018, earning a degree in Multi-Media Journalism. I was 72 years old.

A few days after graduation, I went into the synod office and asked a pastor working there what I had to do to get into seminary. She said, "You're too old to go to seminary. And even if you make it, no church will call someone your age." I left discouraged but continued to serve as pulpit supply.

This year, at the age of 78, I contacted Bishop Tisch and told him my story. Immediately, he asked me to come talk to him. With his encouragement, I'm now continuing my education with the ELCA and have been designated as a Synod Authorized Minister (SAM). I am now positive that this is God's path for me, although it's not what or how I planned.

I was diagnosed with breast cancer on October 18th of this year. Again, not what I planned, but I know God is with me as he has been all my life. The difference is that I am aware of his presence this time, whereas before, I was often not.

I thank Oklee Lutheran Parish for believing in me and my ability to lead them on their faith journeys. My covenant with Oklee ends in November because I had planned to go south to our home in Tennessee with Eugene. But now, I'll be busy doing all I can to survive the cancer. To God be the Glory. Thy will be done, Lord. Amen. And the people said, "Amen."



November 3:

Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Psalm 119:1-8;
Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34

November 10:

1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146;
Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

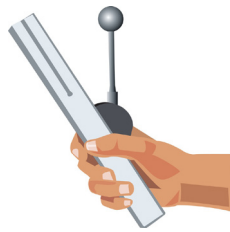
November 17:

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16;
Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 24:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93;
Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

~ Parish News ~



Chime choir will hold its first meeting/practice October 9th at 6:00PM. If you are interested in chime choir please call Patty Mickelson at 218-280-5696, or simply show up at Zion Oct. 9th at 6:00PM!!



JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Salem Sunday School is held at 9:00 AM
Zion Sunday School is held at 10:00AM.

Did you know that the Synod has a person who offers assistance with Legacy Giving?

If you love your church and would like help setting up some sort of legacy, call Keith Pearson at 773-380-2483 or email him at Keith.Pearson@elca.org. He can help you look at wills, trusts, charitable gift annuities, qualified charitable distributions from your IRA and more. He has flyers located in the lobby area of the church at both Zion and Salem.



Salem Ushers List

Sun. November 3:	Josh Vettleson
Sun. November 10:	David Hofstad
Sun. November 17:	Ginny Stoneouse
Sun. November 24:	Wyatt Vettleson

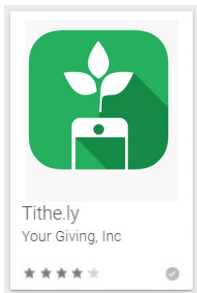
Zion Ushers List

Sun. November 3:	Jami Hendrickson
Sun. November 10:	Kari & Conway Hamm
Sun. November 17:	Cheryl O'Neill
Sun. November 24:	Marcella Melby

*** Remember, if you are not able to usher the date you are assigned, it is your responsibility to find your replacement.***

Update: You now have six choices to choose from to make your donation:

- Oklee Lutheran Parish
- Parish Youth Group
- Zion Church
- Salem Church
- Zion Cemetery
- Salem Cemetery



Please continue to be generous in your support!

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okleelutheran.org

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Try our QR Code

Thank You!!



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It works on your phone or computer web browser. Our website is updated every Sunday night. Check on Mondays for new announcements.

We encourage you to sign-up on our website for emails. Stay informed about upcoming events and special posts to our website. Go to the bottom of any page and look for Subscribe to our emails. Complete the form. We promise no more than 3 emails a month will be sent.

There are links to our Facebook page and YouTube channel.

Severe Weather Contact System

The system will use your cell number if it was provided or else we will use home number on record in directory.

Please text your name to Bonny at 612.840.9401 to add cell information to the system.

This service will also be used for meeting notices and church service cancellations or other urgent situations.



Greetings from Inter-County Community Council (ICCC), your local Community Action Agency



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Weatherization is a program offered by the Department of Energy that helps a household with insulation, air sealing, heating systems and health and safety items for their home. It is a no-cost to the household program that is done in an effort to lower their energy burden and raise the comfort level in the home.

If a household qualifies for Energy assistance they are automatically on the waiting list for weatherization. Nothing else to fill out or apply for.

Priority list is as follows, in no particular order.

1. High energy consumption.
2. Elderly household member(s) (60 years or over)
3. Disabled household member(s)
4. Household member(s) under the age of 19

We can also do rental units but the landlord does need to sign a weatherization agreement and we may ask them to participate in the weatherization process to a small degree.

If the household and residence is selected we then set up a time to perform an energy audit on the house. This audit takes from 2 ½ to 3 ½ hours to complete. By completing the energy audit, we can then determine what measures we can perform to help the household.

As stated before weatherization is an insulating and air sealing (along with certain health and safety measure) program, not a windows and doors, roofing or siding program. We can address some of those issues on a very minor scale but that is more rehab than weatherization.

We also look at the heating system and its efficiency, condition, age and look to possibly upgrade or improve on that if we are able. If you have questions give Paul a call at 218-796-5144 ext. 1016.

Thank you for the opportunity to share space in your newsletter. To learn more about ICCC you can visit www.intercountycc.org or call me directly at 218-796-5144 ext 1027.

Yours in action- Catherine Johnson, Executive Director.

Happy Thanksgiving

It's time for the Annual Thanksgiving Meal in Oklee

Thursday, November 28th
Serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Menu: Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy,
Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Pie & Beverage.

**Reservations (up to 140 reservations) will be taken
at the Oklee Cafe.** Sign up in person or
call 218-796-5999 by November 22nd.

Meals will be served out of the Oklee Community Hall,
can be Delivered to homes in the town of Oklee,
or Picked up.

Volunteers are needed!
If you would like to help!
Call Jo Lambert at 218-796-4527

Sponsored by Northern Pride,
Peatland Reds, Jumpin' Jax Cafe,
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, and
Oklee Lutheran Parish (Zion & Salem)



Salem Minutes & Financial

Salem Lutheran Church

Beginning Balance August 13, 2024	\$32,719.23
Income:	
Offerings	\$2,655.45
Total Cash Available	\$35,374.68
Expenses:	
Tyrone Olson (Toilet)	\$649.20
RLEC	\$133.35
Total Expenses	\$782.55
Ending Balance August 31, 2024	\$34,592.13
Income:	
Offerings	\$4,566.00
Total Cash Available	\$39,158.13
Expenses:	
NW Synod	\$300.00
Parish	\$4,177.19
RLEC	\$155.35
E & J Grocery	\$20.89
Total Expenses	\$4,653.43
Ending Balance September 30, 2024	\$34,504.70
Income:	
Offerings	\$1,877.00
Building Fund	\$649.00
Cemetery Maintenance	\$4,000.00
Total Cash Available	\$6,526.00
Expenses:	
Parish	\$4,177.19
Oklee Lumber	\$128.43
Valley Cemetery Maintenance	\$4,000.00
Total Expenses	\$8,305.62
Ending October 8, 2024	\$32,725.08

Cemetery Perpetual Care Savings:	\$12,883.21
Interest	\$57.30
Deposit: Donations	\$250.00
Memorials:	
Cemetery Maintenance Fund Savings:	\$8,373.20
Income: Thrivent	\$58.74
CD Interest:	
Interest	\$58.75
Deposits:	\$150.00
To General Fund	(\$4,000.00)
Building Fund Savings	\$6,207.37
Interest	\$22.15
Deposits: Rally Sunday	\$997.00
To General Fund	(\$649.00)
Memorial Fund Savings:	\$3,073.11
Interest	\$11.52
Memorials:	
CD #14297	\$13,899.96 Cemetery Perp. Car 4.50% Maturity 5/25/2025
CD #14298	\$5,819.43 Cemetery Maint. 4.50% Maturity 5/25/2025

Salem Lutheran Church Council Meeting Notes October 8, 2024

Attendance: Josh, David, Ginny, Wyatt, Ron, Lisa, Erica, Shirley. Pastor Vik was also in attendance.

Meeting called to order by President David.

SAM Vik led in Prayer.

Secretary's report read by Lisa in Paula's absence. Approved by Josh and 2nd by Ron. She also read the special meeting notes that were approved by Shirley and 2nd by Ginny.

Financial Sec report given Wyatt in Toni's absence. Budget is \$50,911.01, offerings \$45,039.83 leaving a shortfall of \$5,871.18. Approved by Lisa and 2nd by Josh.

Treasure's report was given by Lisa. Approved by Ron 2nd by Erica.

Pastor's report: Pastor will be at communion class Oct 27th before 1st communion on Nov. 1st. She will be gone from Dec. 1st until April 6th and is actively looking for pulpit supply for us during her absence. Lisa commented that Rebel Hurd will also be willing to help. Pastor gave members a list of items she is wanting from getting to know members and their strengths to what we would like to see in service and how she can help.

Old Business: 4 or 5 of the worse headstones were repaired. Windows are in on the north side of the church. Shirley had been looking into finding someone to do the church directory photos; some options were discussed and she will continue to try to find someone. Confirmation is going well and 1st communion class is being held during Sunday school.

New Business: Trim is too narrow with the new windows. It was decided that new trim will be ordered and installed and the west door will be replaced and the knob on the east door. Giving tree will be done again this year with 8 tags.

Pastor led with the Lord's Prayer in closing.

Motion made to Adjourn by Wyatt 2nd by Lisa. Meeting adjourned by President David. Next meeting December 10 at 6:30.

Zion Minutes & Financials

**Zion Lutheran Church
Meeting Minutes
Date: October 9th, 2024**

Members Present: Gin Berns, Diane Hanson, Sarah Jo Lee, Chad Parsley, Jami Hendrickson, Cheryl O'Neill, Kari Hamm

Also in attendance: Marcella Melby, Treasurer; Marijo Vik
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Co-President, Cheryl O'Neill.

Pastor read an opening prayer.
Pastor's report: One first communion student this year but that child and family will wait one year. Nov. 24th will be Marijo's last day in church. She will be back in the area by the April 1st service. She is asking how we think the services are going or if we know anyone who wants a visit. Any changes that we would like? We are currently on setting 8 for our services and our council will also research setting 10.

The secretary's report was read. There is a correction from the August meeting. The meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of every month, not the second Wednesday. 1st - Diane 2nd - Kari Motion Approved

Treasurer's report: Submitted by Marcella Melby. Motion made to accept report: 1st - Sarah 2nd - Kari Motion Approved
Old Business:

Little Free Library: A library was picked out and Marcella will purchase it, with the plan to install it in the spring. It will be purchased with designated memorial money from the family of Wallace Nelson.

Church Mutual Insurance is our current insurance policy. Cheryl brought a quote from Northstar. Marcella stated that our current insurance through Church Mutual is going up 48% and renewing Mid-October. The new policy premium through Northstar would be \$5221.00 and our current policy premium through Church Mutual would be \$8,580.86. Motion to accept new insurance: 1st: Diane 2nd: Sarah Jo Motion Approved.

RLC Social Services has inquired about renting a classroom in the church basement to use as an occasional meeting place with their clients. A limited contract was sent to Cheryl and our church does not have a high enough insurance policy to accept their contract. They said that they would send a new contract but it hasn't been received yet.

The original donation of \$40,000 from Grace McManus into the Protective Life Insurance account has been withdrawn and is reinvested at Security State Bank in Oklee.

New Business: Ushering for November:
Nov. 3: Jami Nov. 10: Kari and Conway Nov. 17: Cheryl
Nov. 24: Marcella Dec. 1: Sarah Jo
The Sunday School Christmas Program will be on December 15th at 10:30.
A breakfast will be served on Oct. 27th and the Sunday School will be singing that day.
The Lord's Prayer was read. Meeting adjourned: 1st - Jami 2nd - Sarah Jo Motion Carried
Next meeting: Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Submitted by Jami Hendrickson

Tuesday, October 1, 2024			
Zion Lutheran Church			
Financial Statement			
Balance 8-1-2024		\$	44,011.89
Income			
Offerings	\$		5,561.17
Tithely	\$		590.00
WELCA Donation	\$		300.00
Market Day Concessions	\$		1,722.00
Replace Cash form Market Day	\$		235.00
Transfer from GM Scholarship	\$		797.15
Thrivent Donation	\$		38.00
Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser	\$		1,072.00
Total Income		\$	10,315.32
Budgeted Expenses			
Parish Pmt (July & Aug.)	\$		7,930.96
Red Lake County Coop (propane)	\$		403.12
Ottertial	\$		170.25
Red Lake County Coop (prefill)	\$		795.00
Keira Morinville (Scholarship)	\$		250.00
Transfer to GM Scholarship Fund	\$		797.15
	\$		10,346.48
Non- Budgeted Expenses			
Withdrawal to CD	\$		30,000.00
Withdrawal to new Scholarship	\$		10,000.00
Transfer to Grace McManus Fund	\$		297.15
	\$		40,297.15
Total Expenses		\$	50,643.63
Ending Balance 9-30-24		\$	3,683.58
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Passbook Savings			
Grace McManus Scholarship			\$1,036.76
Building Fund			\$4,658.12
Elevator	\$814.00		
Windows	\$3,056.78		
Undesignated	\$787.34		
Memorial Fund			\$8,300.66
Undesignated	\$4,970.95		
Sunday School	\$345.00		
Building Fund	\$2,154.71		
Elevator	\$130.00		
Lending Library	\$700.00		

Special Parish Council Meeting

Special Parish Board meeting October 10, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Roll call: Cheryl O’Neill, Gin Berns, David Hofstad, and Josh Vettleson. Missing were Conway Hamm and Kyle Vettleson.

Cheryl O., opened the meeting. Minutes were looked at and approved by Josh V. and David H. Carried.

Financial report was given by Bonny Cote, and was approved by David H. and Gin B. Carried.

Old Business:

Insurance Policy for Zion Church & Parsonage was discussed. The amount of replacement cost on the house has been increase. Zion has approved the church portion. A motion was made to approve the parsonage insurance portion and Bonny will make the payment to Zion when she gets the amount. Will be approx. \$1000 for the year. Josh V. made the motion, David H. seconded carried.

Bonny has been scheduling for December pulpit supply. She has most of December completed.

New Business:

Cheryl asked if Salem would be willing to do Joint Services one joint service a month. The two dates discussed were January 19th and February 16th. And during these two services, serve a breakfast/or coffee and rolls. Salem would be in January, Zion in February. David would bring up to Salem to see.

The Thanksgiving Meal is going forward. Bonny reported that turkeys and potatoes have been donated. Sign-up sheets will be at the three churches looking for making turkeys, donating pies and helping serve/cleanup. Bonny has placed Zion’s and sent out to Salem their sign up sheets. Jo from St. Francis has theirs.

Bonny stated that she was almost out of the wide paper and would like to go back to the normal sized one. The board agreed, but also asked to shorted them up also. Bonny will make the changes.

Meeting was adjourned by David H & Josh V. The Lords Prayer was said in closing.

The Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. This is the yearly budget meeting.

Parish Banking Summary

1/1/2024 through 9/30/2024

Category	1/1/2024- 9/30/2024
INCOME	
Income	
Joint Service	0.00
Misc	75.00
Tithely	215.72
TOTAL Misc	290.72
Salem	37,594.71
Zion	28,207.44
TOTAL Income	66,092.87
Parsonage Donation	3,600.00
TOTAL INCOME	69,692.87
EXPENSES	
Uncategorized	0.00
Operational	
Auto Expense	1,613.93
Computer Allowance	450.00
Electricity	1,385.00
Heat	1,059.51
Miscellaneous	18.00
Office Supplies	1,341.37
Copier	1,071.99
TOTAL Office Supplies	2,413.36
Postage	302.00
Newsletter	727.50
TOTAL Postage	1,029.50
Repairs	
Parsonage	7,787.87
TOTAL Repairs	7,787.87
Telephone	
Dial My Calls Service	50.00
Telephone Parsonage	375.01
Telephone Zion	661.08
TOTAL Telephone	1,086.09
Water-Garbage	957.66
Work. Comp Insurance	496.00
TOTAL Operational	18,296.92
Program	
Block Party	57.56
Bulletins Etc	662.75
Conf-1 Com	395.70
Lent	300.00
Misc.	0.00
Pastor’s Contining Ed	75.00
Pulpit Supply	4,725.00
TOTAL Program	6,216.01
Salary	
Pastor	
Annuity	0.00
FICA	1,235.12
Pension-Insur.	7,636.83
Salary	16,145.16
TOTAL Pastor	25,017.11
Secretary	
FICA	229.50
Salary	2,999.97
TOTAL Secretary	3,229.47
TOTAL Salary	28,246.58
TOTAL EXPENSES	52,759.51
OVERALL TOTAL	16,933.36

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Shannen- #218-689-6702

McCliffy Fundraiser




Time, Talents & Treasure

During this time of transistion, remember that without a permanent leader, it is important for others to step up and do what needs to be done. The SAM and Pastors we have been hiring do not know all the stuff that needs to be done at our individual churches and how we have done events in the past. Please step up and use your time and talents to keep everything running smoothly and know that you all are a treasure!



The poinsettias are purchased by each church for the Christmas season for decoration. To offset the cost, you can purchase one in honor or memory of someone. The price is not avaiable yet.

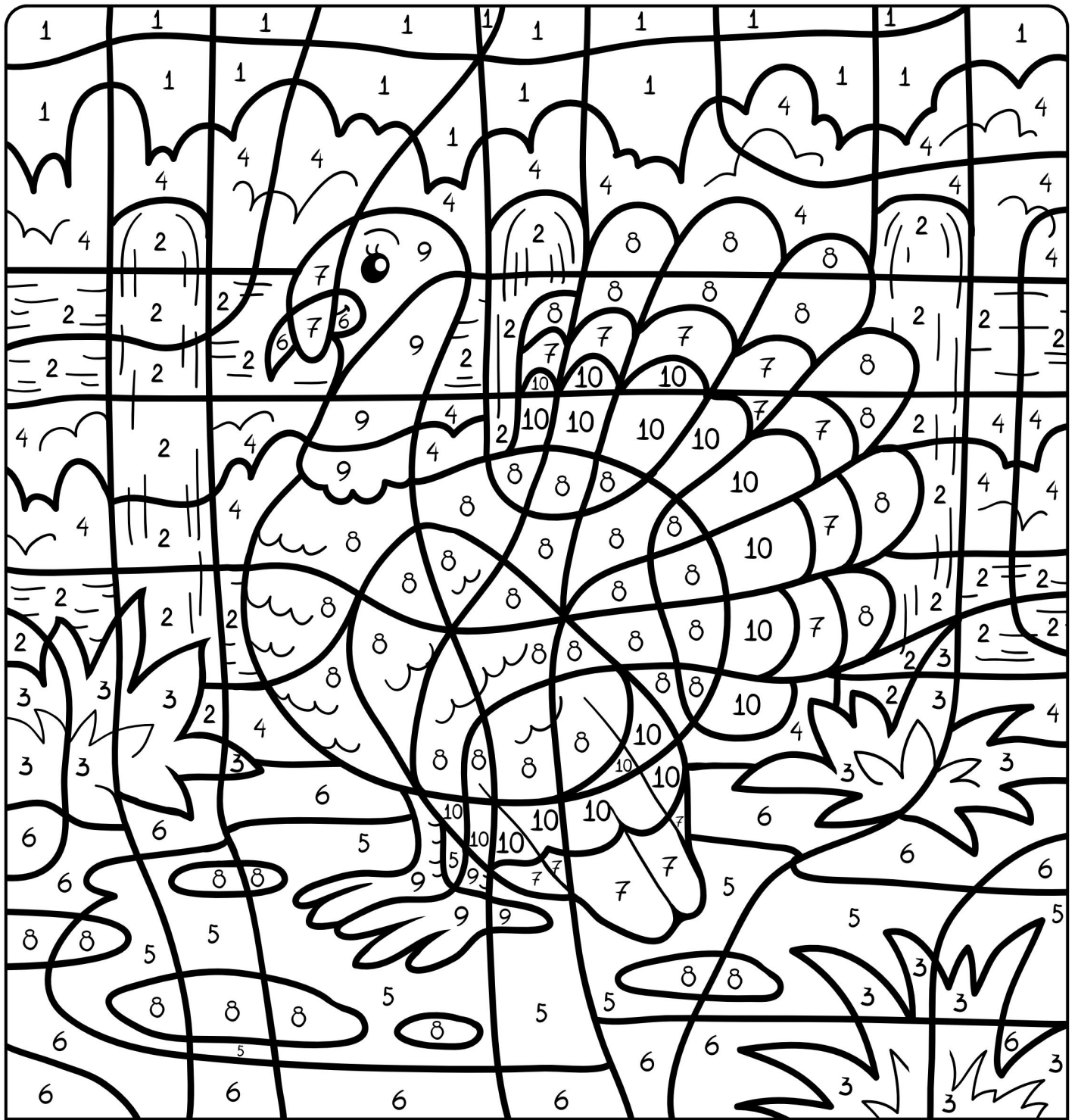
Contact Kaye Munt at Zion or Stacey Hofstad for Salem.



Thank You!

The McCliffy breakfast served at Zion on October 27th starting at 9 a.m. was very successful with approx. \$1200 being raised. It was a very delicious breakfast and there was lots of fellowship happening.

Kaye Munt and LaVonne Brown working the kitchen at the Zion breakfast!



1=Light Blue

2=Gray

3=Green

4=Dark Green

5=Yellow

6=Orange



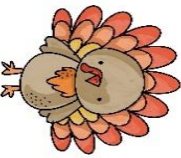
7=Red

8=Brown

9=Pink

10=Black

November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Salem Altar Jill Kolstoe	Zion Altar Diane Hanson	Salem Ushers Nov. 3: Josh V Nov. 10: David H Nov. 17: Ginny S Nov. 24: Wyatt V	Zion Ushers Nov. 3: Jami H Nov. 10: Kari & Conway Nov. 17: Cheryl O Nov. 24: Marcella M			2 
3 Communion 9:00 a.m. Zion 9:00 a.m. SS @ Salem 10:00 a.m. SS @ Zion 10:30 a.m. Salem	4	5	6 7:00 p.m. Zion Conf. 7:00 p.m. Salem Conf.	7	8	9
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“Thank You, God”

Sung to the melody of “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star”

Thank You, Thank You, God Above,
For Your Blessing and Your Love,
For our Friends and Family,
And the world You made to see.
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