



THE LORD  
HAS DONE  
GREAT  
THINGS  
FOR US

**Psalm 126**

# Zion Evangelical Church

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9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study 10:15 a.m. Worship

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## Confirmand Presentation Sunday – April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

### PRELUDES

*We are returning to the use of bread cubes or wafers and cups of wine for Holy Communion. We are discontinuing the peel off cups until Worship in the Park.*  
LIGHTING CANDLES / WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING BELLS

### Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

- \* PRAISE MEDLEY “Victory Chant” iWorship Home 1:7 #294  
“I Believe in JESUS” by Marc Nelson
- \* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) #624

### Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

- \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Dear LORD JESUS forgive me for being so vocal about my favorite sports team, but for not being vocal about YOU. And forgive me as I confess in silence my failings of this past week.

*(please pray in silence)*

LORD GOD – FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT - I thank YOU for the Faith YOU have given me to receive YOUR Grace given in CHRIST. For I seal this prayer in JESUS’ saving name. Amen!

- \* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from 1 John 2:12  
*I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for JESUS’ sake.*
- \* RESPONSE “Hear Our Prayer, O LORD” INSERT  
Hear our prayer, O LORD (3 times); And grant us THY peace. Amen.

### Listening to the LORD!

### CONFIRMAND PRESENTATIONS

Carson Allen

Caleb Gruenewald

Landon Kinder

READING OF GOD'S WORD

1 John 5:6-12

SERMON

“The Testimony”

STATEMENT OF FAITH

from John 9:35b & 38

Pastor JESUS said to him “Do you believe in the Son of man?”,

People He said, “Lord, I believe”; and he worshipped JESUS.

### Praying to GOD!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

*Envelopes or checks (with note on the memo line) designated “Youth,” will support Zion’s Youth Ministries*

\* RESPONSE

*"Jesus, Stand Among Us"*

INSERT

JESUS, stand among us, In THY risen power;

Let this time of worship, Be a hallowed hour. Amen.

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Communing with JESUS CHRIST!

\* COMMUNION HYMN *"JESUS, at YOUR Holy Table"* vs 2 #400

CHRIST remind us of YOUR passion, Of YOUR precious life outpoured

Of the love which none can fathom, And our vict'ry evermore

Bread of heaven wine of promise, Feed us with YOUR holy Word

Nourish us with YOUR strong presence, Risen Savior only Lord

\* INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *"Apostle's Creed"* Back Cover of Hymnal

I believe in GOD the FATHER Almighty Maker of Heaven and Earth.

And in JESUS CHRIST, HIS only begotten SON, our LORD; WHO was

conceived by the HOLY SPIRIT, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; HE descended into hell;

the third day HE rose again from the dead; HE ascended into Heaven,

and sits at the right hand of GOD the FATHER Almighty; from thence

HE shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the HOLY

SPIRIT; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the communion of

saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life

everlasting. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION / THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors)

Our FATHER who art in Heaven, Hallowed be THY Name. THY

Kingdom come, THY will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our

debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For

THINE is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever, Amen.

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

Hold the Bread and then the Cup until the Pastor says, *"Take and eat /*

*drink"*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Going out to Serve GOD!

\* COMMITMENT HYMN *"Since JESUS Came into My Heart"* #624

\* BENEDICTION from Romans 8:37

*In all these things we are more than conquerors through HIM that loved us.*

\* SUNG BLESSING *"Go Now in Peace"* Don Besig & Nancy Price

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. GOD will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know HE will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

GOD will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

\* POSTLUDES



# *2022 Confirmation Class*

## *Faith Papers*



*Zion Evangelical Church*

*117 W. White St.*

*Millstadt, IL 62260*

*April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022*

# Carson Allen

Hello, my name is Carson Allen. My Christian journey started when I was very young, when I was baptized. Then at the age of 3 I started to attend Sunday School. Since then I have participated in many church programs, such as Vacation Bible School, Cherub and ROC choirs and the Christmas Plays. I have attended Sunday School for 10 years, with 10 years of Faithful Attendance. Now I am ready to continue my journey as a Christian as I get Confirmed.

Psalm 41:1 says, "*Blessed is he who has regard for the weak; the LORD delivers him in times of trouble.*" I choose this for a Scripture passage because I like to help others and it relates to my Faith Project.

For a Faith Project I choose to collect donations for the Senior Center. I wanted to do this Faith Project since I sometimes volunteer at the Senior Center with my grandma. Also they need donations because they help many people. This project lives out the Christian faith because in Psalm 41:1 it says to help the weak and you will be blessed by the LORD.

Last year the Senior Center served 35,729 meals. 19,189 meals were delivered by volunteers to people who can't easily come to the Senior Center. Along with providing meals, the Senior Center provides a place for seniors to gather together and enjoy themselves. The Senior Center has bingo, corn hole and wii sports bowling. They also take seniors to doctor appointments, to get haircuts and other things like that.

If you can donate I would appreciate it. I need Ziploc bags, quart and gallon size, divided paper plates, dessert plates, bingo prizes, paper towels and Lysol spray. Hebrews 13:16 says, "*Don't forget to do good and to share what you have because it is pleasing to God.*"

Thank you for your support with my project.

# Caleb Gruenewald

Hello, my name is Caleb Gruenewald and I have been going to this church my whole life. My faith journey began as a baby when I was baptized here at Zion. I have learned a lot about God and faith through Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and many other church activities. Zion has always been a big part of my life, whether it was attending church services, singing with Cherub or ROC choirs, participating in Christmas plays, or doing things with the Youth Group, such as lock-ins, nerf wars, and so much more. My last two years in Confirmation have furthered my understanding of the Bible and how it can be applied to my life.

**Proverbs 19:17** is the Bible verse that motivated me for my project. The Scripture passage says, "*Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and He will reward them for what they have done.*" I chose this verse because it reminds me to be kind and charitable to others who are less fortunate and in doing so, He promises to reward me with grace and eternal life.

For these reasons, I, along with Landon Kinder, will be working with African Vision of Hope to collect school supplies to stuff backpacks for children in Zambia. As many of you may recall, a few weeks back, the founders of African Vision of Hope came to Zion and gave a presentation. They talked about the boys that they hosted and how important they became to them, which is how it all started. That day I decided I wanted to help them with their mission because I could relate to having an exchange student live with my family and the impact it has on all involved. I think it is amazing that they are building schools and homes for the Zambian children which opens many doors for their futures that would otherwise not be available to them.

This board will be out in Reiss Hall over the course of the next few weeks. There are slips of paper for you to grab and to take for your shopping list or we will have a basket for cash donations. Landon and I will be collecting everything until Sunday, April 24, then we will put the backpacks together and deliver them to the African Vision of Hope.

Thank you for your time and support, not only for this project, but for my faith journey.

# Landon Kinder

**Proverbs 3:5-6** *“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.”*

Good morning my name is Landon Kinder. I have been attending Zion Evangelical Church my entire life. This bible verse speaks to me because I feel trusting in the Lord and leaning on him during life's challenges will help me in times of need.

My faith journey started when I was born. I've attended church my whole life and started going to Sunday school at the age of three. I have learned so much from all of my Sunday School teachers. I have also attended and worked at VBS which helps teach young kids what faith in Christ is all about. I also attended preschool here so I am comfortable with our church and the people here have always been supportive throughout my faith journey. Some of my favorite church activities have been the church lock-ins and helping with activities in Youth Group. I feel that because of all of these things I am ready to complete the next part of my journey, Baptism and Confirmation.

Being a Christian means many things. I have learned that doing the right thing and trying to follow the Christian teachings is the way I want to live my life. Having faith in God brings feelings of peace to my life. I also know that with Christ by my side I have the bravery to stand up to the challenges that I will face in my life.

Education is a very important and powerful tool for all. For my Confirmation project, Caleb Gruenewald and I have chosen to support the African Vision of Hope. “African Vision of Hope is a Christian organization committed to bringing immediate and lasting solutions to children and families living in extreme poverty.” I want to help students in Zambia have access to supplies to facilitate their education.

I will be collecting supplies and monetary donations to give to this worthy cause. Please see the display board in Reiss Hall for a list of needed supplies.



# Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

## Sunday, April 3 - Communion and Presentation Sunday

Conf/SS .....	9:00 a.m.
Worship Service .....	10:15 a.m.
VBS Planning Meeting .....	11:30 a.m.
Family Night .....	5:00 p.m.

## Monday, April 4

PreSchool .....	8:15 a.m.
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## Tuesday, April 5

Z Team .....	8:30 a.m.
Garden Place Bible Study .....	1:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, April 6

PreSchool .....	8:15 a.m.
Lenten Meal - Youth/Charlotte Mehrstens .....	6:00 p.m.
Lenten Service .....	7:00 p.m.

## Thursday, April 7

Quilting .....	9:00 a.m.
Sisters in Faith .....	12:00 p.m.

## Friday, April 8

PreSchool .....	8:15 a.m.
Chair Yoga in Fellowship Hall (led by Joyce Herman) .....	10:00 a.m.

## Sunday, April 10 - Confirmation Service

Conf/SS .....	9:00 a.m.
Conf Photos .....	9:00 a.m.
Worship Service .....	10:15 a.m.

### East Egg Hunt

Please donate candy for our Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt at 9:00 a.m. on April 17th.

We will fill the eggs on April 10th.

### FUN AND GAMES

Mark your calendar for Zion's family game night (for all ages) on April 22 starting at 7:00 PM

Bring an appetizer to be shared by all and your game of choice. Soda and popcorn will be provided

**Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House** -- Congregation Member, Eric Wolfmeier is a Firefighter in Belleville. His Firehouse is collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please drop off any you collect at the Church. Amanda will have a receptacle labeled for these. Thank you for helping out.

March 23, 2022

March 27, 2022

Giving: \$291.00

Giving: \$2,750.00

Attendance: 26

Attendance: 73





## April 3, 2022 In the Hospital

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Patti Albert  
Donna Altemeier  
The Badger Family  
Wanda Basse  
Marilyn Beil  
The Bender family  
Cindy Berlelsmann  
Roberta Billhartz  
Brock Bomleny  
Lindsay Bourn & Family  
Baby Levi Boyle  
Shirley Brandenburger  
Darwin Bretsch  
Carol Bueckmann  
Christine Campo  
Nancy Caponi  
Jesse Cook  
Bob Cotter  
Roger Davis  
Sheila Davis (Jessi Doerr's Mother)  
Sharon Dill  
Dorene (Janice Seidlitz's Sister-in-law)  
The family of Mary Eckert  
Flash Farley  
Ashley & Baby Fehr  
Sue Flora  
Ruth Fritzingler's Family  
Mary (Boerke) Graham  
Greg  
Pearl Griebel  
Kendra Haas  
Matt Haas  
Winnie Hambleton  
Baby Adalyn Harres  
The Harres Famly  
John Harries  
Mary Harries  
Joe Heap  
Connie Hendricks  
Tracy Holmes  
Pat Illert  
Sarah Johnson  
Wayne Jones  
Melanie Keck

John Kistner  
Billy Klopmeyer  
Scott (Barbra Knoth's Son)  
Ricky Kochmann  
Mary & Sonny Koehler  
Jim Kostelac  
Tom Krauter  
Brian Kreher  
Tom Kreher  
Delores Lang  
Andi Lanning  
June Martin  
JoAnn Martz  
Monique Masengale  
Don Mehrtens  
Marty Mertz  
Cindy Meyer  
Kenny Middendorf  
Norman Mills  
Helen Morgan  
Helen Mueller  
Jim Mueller  
Ronnie Mueller  
Ron Nicholls  
Dean Norrenbem  
Jodi Notter  
Doris Obernagel  
Baby Ariela Oliver  
Jon Orelt  
Era Osborn  
Alexis Papavassilion  
Janet Pauketat  
Janice Pellmann  
Vicki Pellmann  
Stephanie Poletti  
Layla Post  
Matt Preston  
Jaylynn Proctor  
Rebecca  
Emily Reed  
Jim Reinheimer  
Mark Roach  
Barb Roark  
Stella Savering (Bill's Mom)  
The Family of Jim & Susan Savering

Melissa Scott (Linda Hopfinger's Daughter)  
Jean Seymour  
Nancy Smith  
Shelly Smith  
Sparks Family  
Sharon Stallmann  
Chris Stander  
Kesia Sutton  
Joann Talent  
Sharon Tastad  
Ray Teliczan  
Douglas Tendler  
Angie Thomason  
Rich Trent  
Elizabeth Tubbs  
Lacey Grace Valentine  
Mark Vandermyde  
Bill & Donna Ward  
Scott Weber  
Lauretta Werhan  
Mary Weldele  
Doug Whelan  
Beth Windeknecht  
Herb Woehlke  
Marge Woehlke  
Landon Woods  
Bart & Kelley

### JOYS



**Food Pantry—Our food pantry list for the month of April is: Cake mixes/frosting, cere .., jelly, and mac and cheese. The month of May is: Cornbread mix, canned vegetables, paper towels, Jello or pudding.**

**SERVING OUR COUNTRY** Sgt. Anthony Hanson, Jr., Kenny Wolf, Brandon Lester, Kory Klein and Michael Barnes serving overseas; Erin Green, Adam Stern, Andrew Haag, Marty Mertz and Derek Ferguson in the Middle East; esse Elmer, Jason Parrish, Chris Lewis, Sharon Wirth, Jimmy Combs, Joe Morris, Cameron Ahrens, Kasey Launius, Jamantha Glaeser, Al Wirth, Tristen & Stefan Cashwell, and Joshua Trent serving in the States; Austin Stumpf serving in Korea. Families of Service men and women in Afghanistan who lost their lives in the terrorist attack.

## Community Bulletin Board

Chair Yoga led by Joyce Herman - Fridays during February and March, Zion's Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Zion Yard Sale - Saturday, May 5; more details to come.

Sisters in Faith annual Spring Luncheon - Thursday, May 19, noon; \$12/person paid at the door. There will be a delicious Picnic Lunch featuring fried chicken, potato salad, cole slaw and dessert, and a Quilt Raffle. Please make reservations by May 11th by calling the Church office at 618-476-1778.

Sisters in Faith/Cre8tive Souls would like to challenge everyone to share one card per week with someone. The cards will be; thank you, thinking of you, praying for you, etc.. This person can be part of our congregation, community, or beyond. We would like for you to prayerfully consider who could use a card to let them know that they are thought about, prayed for, cared for or you wish that they would come join us at church, bible study, etc.. Other persons who could use a card, police, firefighters, and servicemen, anyone who you feel could use a card. We will provide cards with envelopes or you are more than welcome to use your own cards. If you are willing, we would also like to hear back if you receive a response from someone whom you have shared a card with that their life was impacted in some way. Please sign the cards as an individual and include - "A Member of Zion Evangelical Church".