



Holy Ghost STORIES

**“Seeing Ghosts”
Sunday, May 17, 2026**

Seventh Sunday of Easter

*Zion United Methodist Church exists to celebrate God's grace
and witness for Jesus Christ. As you worship, open your heart.
God has a word for you today!*

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THE PEOPLE OF GOD GATHER

PROCESSION OF THE LIGHT

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*INVITATION SONGS *"What an Awesome God," "I Worship You Almighty God"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We will praise you, Lord, as we gather before you with varied thoughts and purposes.

Some of us are impatient, and we seek immediate results to our prayers.

Some of us are doubtful, and we seek further proof of your spiritual power.

Some of us are too busy, and we fail to take time to listen for you to speak to us.

Some of us are disobedient, and we fail to follow in the way of discipleship.

With all our varied backgrounds, we come into your holy presence; unite us in our worship.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

UMH 462

OPENING PRAYER

Holy and gracious God, you meet us in calm moments and in stormy seas alike. When fear rises within us and the winds of life rage around us, remind us again of Christ's words: "Do not be afraid." Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us in this time of worship. Open our eyes to recognize your presence in places we might otherwise overlook. Strengthen us when our faith wavers, and draw us ever closer to Jesus, who walks beside us and holds us fast. Amen!

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Come, Every One Who Is Thirsty"

by Lloyd Larson

RECOGNIZING OUR GRADUATES: *Andrew Benson, Hayden Connor, Cameron DeMaster, Liam Edwin Larson, Thomas Loer, Niroop Sugunraj*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & REFLECTION

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

THE PEOPLE OF GOD HEAR THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

Matthew 14:22-33

Holy Ghost Stories: Seeing Ghosts

Rev. Clay Lundberg

THE PEOPLE OF GOD RESPOND

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Be Still My Soul" (vs. 1)

UMH 534

GENEROSITY IN ACTION

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE PEOPLE OF GOD ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN

"Blessed Assurance" (vs. 1 & 3)

UMH 369

*SENDING FORTH

*STAND IF COMFORTABLE | UMH: UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL (RED) | TFS: THE FAITH WE SING (BLACK)

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY, May 17th

9:15 a.m.-Sunday School
10:00 a.m.-Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m.-Worship Service

Potluck following the worship service

TUESDAY, May 19th

9:00 a.m.-UM Men's group at Perkins

WEDNESDAY, May 20th

1:30 p.m.-Legacy Quilters
7:00 p.m.-Choir Practice

THURSDAY, May 21st

9:00 a.m.-Pastor Clay's Coffee Shop

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, May 24th

9:15 a.m.-Sunday School
10:00 a.m.-Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m.-Worship Service

TUESDAY, May 26th

9:00 a.m.-UM Men's group at Perkins
5:30 p.m.-Love Feast

WEDNESDAY, May 27th

1:30 p.m.-Legacy Quilters
7:00 p.m.-Choir Practice

THURSDAY, May 28th

9:00 a.m.-Pastor Clay's Coffee Shop

WEAR RED ON PENTECOST SUNDAY

On **Sunday, May 24**, we will celebrate Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit. As we celebrate, you are invited to wear red as a symbol of the work of the Holy Spirit in your life.

HELP WANTED

Sunday School teachers are needed for the coming school year. Please prayerfully consider helping the Sunday School program grow by volunteering to teach Sunday School in the fall. Call or text Nancy Flint at (605)380-5360 or call the church office at (701)772-1893.

HELP WANTED

We are looking for a new person to count our weekly offerings on Mondays. Barb Larson has generously counted Sunday offerings for many years and is looking to retire. THANK YOU, Barb for your service to Zion! The only skill required is to be able to use a calculator. Please consider this service opportunity.

2026 MIRACLE OFFERING

Each year, churches in the Dakotas Conference show love in action through the Miracle Offering at Annual Conference. Half of this offering will support the Endowment for Theological Education in Africa, the Philippines, and Europe, helping United Methodists around the world access theological training. The other half will fund education and training for laity across the Dakotas Conference, equipping everyday disciples for faithful leadership in their local communities. The offering will run **through May 31st**.

SUMMER HOURS

Starting May 31st through the end of August, our Sunday worship service will move to an earlier time, **beginning at 9:30 AM instead of 10:30 AM**. There will be no Sunday School, however Zion's Gate (Wired Word) will still meet after the service. Everyone is invited to attend. Enjoy the earlier start to your summer Sundays with us!

THE QUILT OF THE WEEK



This week's Quilt of the Week is a little larger than toddler size measuring 61" x 72". It is called "Cool Breeze".

**IF YOU NEED A QUIET PLACE WITH YOUR CHILD,
OUR NURSERY IS LOCATED IN THE UPPER WEST WING.**

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTOR	Rev. Clay Lundberg
MINISTERS	The Congregation
CHOIR DIRECTOR.....	David Perry
ORGANIST AND CHOIR ACCOMPANIST	Marjorie Myröld
LAY READER.....	Brad Loiland
LAY LEADER.....	Deb Glennen/Cynthia Shabb
CONGREGATIONAL CARE COORDINATOR.....	Connie Sherwood
CHURCH SECRETARY.....	Gail Sherwood

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR MAY 10TH, 2026

Sunday Worship – 80 Sunday School - 21 Online - 32

FINANCIAL REPORT MAY 10TH, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICE.....	\$ 6,088.85
NARTHEX.....	\$ 620.00
APPORTIONMENTS.....	\$ 0.00

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT

TOTAL FUNDS COMING IN	\$ 25,046.25
TOTAL FUNDS GOING OUT	\$ 23,956.57
CHURCH APPORTIONMENT PAST DUE	\$ 6,480.18

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT ZION

Other than using checks, you may take advantage of other giving options. You can give online via **Tithe.ly**. Scan the QR code here and follow the directions. For those who prefer **Automatic Bank Transfer** on a regular basis, please contact the church office. Thank you for your generosity!



PRAYER MARKER FOR MAY 17TH MAY 23RD 2026

LIFT IN PRAYER

Peter Blay
Billie Kellar
Wally and Carol Mytych
Aileen Sandwick & Family
The Juntunen Family
The Sondreal Family
The O'Shaughnessy Family
Our Shut-ins

JOYS

Sunday Music
Praise Band and Choir
Love Feast
Building Update Projects
STEM Sunday Funday
New shades over the windows
in the quilting room
Mustard Seed Event

BIRTHDAYS

05/17 Bonnie Taylor
05/21 James Juntunen
05/21 Jack Stevens