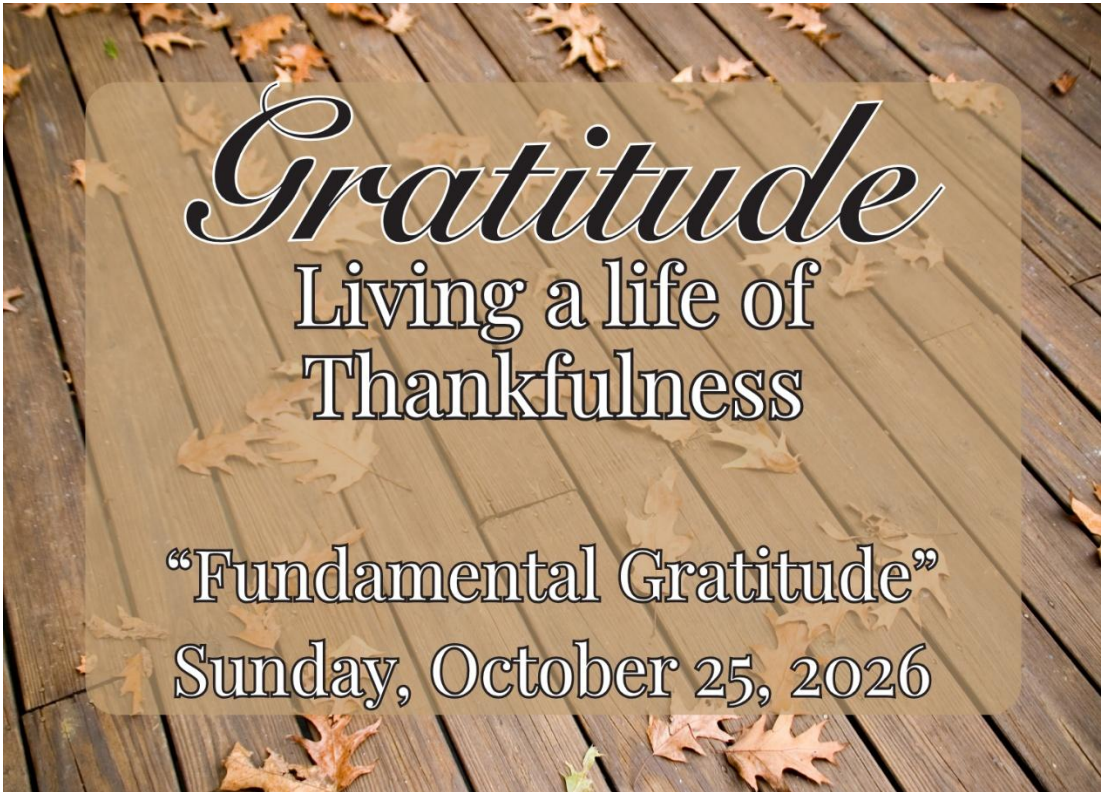




Gratitude

Living a life of
Thankfulness

“Fundamental Gratitude”
Sunday, October 25, 2026

Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

*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 *"He is Exalted," "Jesus, Name Above All Names," "Learning to Lean"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The waters have receded, the ground is dry, and God has brought us through.

We have much to be thankful for.

Like Noah, we come before God after seasons of uncertainty, waiting, and change.

We remember that God has been with us through it all.

Noah's first act upon leaving the ark was to build an altar and give thanks to the Lord.

May gratitude be our first response to God's faithfulness.

Come, let us worship the God who carries us through the storm and gives us new ground on which to stand.

With thankful hearts, we worship our faithful God!

HYMN OF PRAISE

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

UMH 110

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we come before you with grateful hearts. You have carried us through storms we never thought we would survive, through seasons of waiting, and through days when we could not yet see what was ahead. Like Noah, remind us today to pause and recognize your faithfulness. Help us not to rush past your goodness but to give thanks for the ways you have brought us to dry ground. Receive our worship, our praise, and our gratitude. In Jesus' name, Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Like a Tree"

*by Ellen Woods Bryce
Flute soloist: David Perry*

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

Genesis 8:13-21

"Fundamental Gratitude"

Rev. Clay Lundberg

THE PEOPLE OF GOD RESPOND

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Give Thanks"

TFWS 2036

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ryan Wicken, son of Tyler and BreAnna Wicken and grandson of Greg and Tracy Wicken

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

"Now Thank We All Our God " vs 1 & 3

UMH 102

*SENDING FORTH

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY, October 25th

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

TUESDAY, October 27th

9:00 a.m. - UM Men's group at Perkins
12:30 p.m. – Ladies Book Club at Bernies
5:30 p.m. – Love Feast

WEDNESDAY, October 28th

8:15 p.m. – Waffle Wednesday
1:30 p.m. - Legacy Quilters
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, October 29th

9:00 a.m. – Pastor Clay's Coffee Shop

SATURDAY, October 31st

4:30 p.m. – **Trunk or Treat**

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, November 1st

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

MONDAY, November 2nd

6:30 p.m. – **Charge Conference**

TUESDAY, November 3rd

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

WEDNESDAY, November 4th

8:15 p.m. – Waffle Wednesday
1:30 p.m. - Legacy Quilters
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, November 5th

9:00 a.m. – Pastor Clay's Coffee Shop

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to Ruth Ann Tuseth for the special music and filling in for Marjorie while she is gone.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be upon us this Saturday. Please help us out by donating candy or festive supplies to decorate trunks and spreading the word about our event. The event will run from 4:30 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. on Halloween. We would love to have you join the fun by bringing your own trunk .

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Christmas Market will be on December 12 so mark your calendars. We will soon start "posting" ways that you can help, whether it's donating to the silent auction, Pop-Up Market, baking goods or purchasing items for a themed basket.

YOU ARE INVITED to attend our Charge Conference on Monday, Nov. 2 at 6:30 pm. Supper will be served at 5:30. To encourage attendance and participation, rides will be available for those who want them. Please call the church office at 701-772-1893 or Nancy Flint at 605-380-5360 to **give** a ride or to **get** a ride. We hope to see you there!

THE QUILT OF THE WEEK



Legacy's Quilt of the Week is named "Autumnal Explosion" measuring 83.5" x 63" sewed in a diagonal design with small leaf squares set off with coordinating plain colored squares. It is hanging in the upper west wing if you desire to view it..

**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 (revclaylundberg@gmail.com ; 701-732-0936)
MINISTERS	The Congregation
CHOIR DIRECTOR.....	David Perry
ORGANIST AND CHOIR ACCOMPANIST	Ruth Ann Tuseth
LAY READER.....	Janet Seames
LAY LEADER.....	Deb Glennen/Cynthia Shabb
CONGREGATIONAL CARE COORDINATOR.....	Connie Sherwood
CHURCH SECRETARY.....	Gail Sherwood

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR OCTOBER 18TH, 2026
Sunday Worship – 96 Sunday School - 19 Online - 23

FINANCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 18TH, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICE.....	\$ 3,240.00
NARTHEX LOAN FUND.....	\$ 0.00
APPORTIONMENTS.....	\$ 500.00

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT	
TOTAL FUNDS COMING IN	\$ 19,580.77
TOTAL FUNDS GOING OUT	\$ 22,723.73
CHURCH APPORTIONMENT PAST DUE	\$ 13,161.18

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 OCTOBER 25TH - OCTOBER 31ST 2026

LIFT IN PRAYER

Peter Blay
Billie Kellar
Wally and Carol Mytych
Jack Kramer
Nancy Evans and Family
Rosanne Curtis
Don Lange
Our Shut-ins
The Family of Ken Sherwood
The Family of Marlin Flint
Todd Daniels

BIRTHDAYS

10/26 Richard Lehn
10/26 Phyllis Quam
10/28 Carol Mytych
10/30 Steve Nygaard

JOYS

Sunday Music
Praise Band and Choir
Love Feast
Building Update Projects
Prayer Chain
Tech Team