

# June 2020

Sunday Worship  
Zion - 8:45 a.m.  
Holden -10:45 a.m.

The sacrament of Holy Communion is distributed on the first, third, & \*fifth Sundays.

\*when applicable

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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14	15 Submission deadline for The Bridge	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Editing deadline for The Bridge	23	24	25	26	27
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## Pastor's Page June 2020

Dear Friends in Christ,

I know we're all facing challenges these days. We're doing our best. It takes all of us together to do well, so we've all been learning how to live when getting together exposes us to danger. Thanks for your care for your family and neighbors as you stay home a lot more, wash hands way more, and even get used to wearing masks and keeping distance. I doubt it's easy for anyone. Most of us would like very much to be able to shake hands, give hugs, and sing together. Thanks for having sense enough to take care.

I've wondered how Jesus would have done with this all. He seemed to always take the side of the people who were overlooked, looked down on, or sort of cast aside. And that makes me think he'd be looking out for those ones now too. Those who would be most likely to get dangerously sick or lose their lives to Covid19 would likely have his full attention. Of course our churches will be careful for these precious people too. After all, who of our elders or friends would we be willing to expose to a disease that would force them onto a respirator?

Following Jesus isn't always easy or convenient. Jesus reminded his people that "whatever you do for the least of my people that you do unto me." This might give us some help as we make decisions that could help or hurt the vulnerable people around us.

With all the talk of opening the country, and some churches even demanding to open as a human right, and more, the eagerness many of us feel about getting back together, the question of when to go back to worship in our churches is real.

It's a challenging question. Actually there are several questions to look at before making plans, much less decisions about this. So our councils and I have been and will be thinking and planning together (keeping our distance, of course). We care about each of you. With God's help, the use of good reliable science, and our best understandings of the situation as well as much prayer, we're working toward making a plan that will likely happen in stages.

This also means there will be some changes when we start worshipping together again. We'll be using masks, making hand sanitizer available, keeping our distance from each other and thinking creatively about how to even do communion. Other things like singing and coffee time are part of the discussions we work out our plans.

Several people have commented that the small numbers of members might actually work in our favor as we plan to reopen worship together. That may be true, but we'll likely keep some of the ways we've been in touch over the last couple of months. Also, anyone who might be in danger from exposure to COVID-19, including our older members should think very carefully before coming back. We'll understand. We'll stay in touch. You still matter.

For now, thank you for your patience, and please thank our councils for their faithful work and careful thought on working out how to do church in these challenging times.

One more thing, thank you to those who are faithfully supporting God's mission in our churches, your support allows us to continue doing the work God has called us to.

God bless you every one.

*Pastor Cathy*

The page featuring the 2020 upcoming events at both churches is pending due to COVID-19 and we are awaiting the dates for many of the events.

A note to both churches: please send the tentative dates for the 2020 events to us as soon as possible.

Thanks,  
Amy & Gabrielle

**Note:**

Holden's June brat stand and bake sale is canceled due to COVID-19. Thank you for your understanding.

- Holden Lutheran Church-

**CANCELED**

Sincere sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Diane Skelnik.

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."*

*~Matthew 5:4~*

*With Sympathy*

**Note from the Editors**

Please send information and items for the newsletter to the following email address: [zhnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:zhnewsletter@gmail.com)

Thanks,  
Amy & Gabrielle

**Recipe Corner**

**Spinach Tomato Burgers**

**Ingredients:**

- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons fat-free milk
- 1/2 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 pound lean ground beef (90% lean)
- 4 whole wheat hamburger buns, split
- 1/4 cup spinach dip
- 1/4 cup julienned soft sun-dried tomatoes (not packed in oil)
- Lettuce leaves

**Directions:**

- Combine first six ingredients. Add beef; mix lightly but thoroughly. Shape into four 1/2-in.-thick patties.
- Place burgers on an oiled grill rack or in a greased 15x10x1-in. pan. Grill, covered, over medium heat or broil 4-5 in. from heat until a thermometer reads 160°, 4-5 minutes per side. Grill buns, cut side down, over medium heat until toasted. Serve burgers on buns; top with spinach dip, tomatoes and lettuce.
- Enjoy!

**Note:**

**Zion will not be having their annual Pie Social and Sloppy Joes in McGrath on the Fourth of July due to the McGrath celebration being canceled due to COVID-19. Thank you for your understanding.**

**- Zion Lutheran Church-**

**Congratulations to Zion-Holden Parish's 2020 graduates: Allie Zimpel and Tristan Mayer! Best wishes to both of you in all of your future endeavors!**



**Vacation Bible School will not be held at Zion-Holden this summer due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We hope to host VBS with Camp Onomia next summer. Thank you for your understanding.**



**Spring has arrived and the season of mowing and maintaining the lawn at the Holden Cemetery begins in May. The estimated annual cost is \$1,835.00. Please consider making a contribution to help with these expenses. Your continued financial support and prayers are essential for the care of our cemetery and are greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to the Holden Lutheran Cemetery**

**Fund and mail to:**

**Lu Leistiko  
Holden Lutheran Church  
27987 150th Street  
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***Thank you for your ongoing support.***

## BIRTHDAYS

2- Angie Haglund  
3- Clint Zimpel  
3- Anthony Haglund  
5- Jordy Orbeck  
6- Eunice Kohlgraf  
7- LaVern Draxten  
8- Paul Bailey  
9- Dorothy Nolan  
10- Angie Stulc  
10- Sonja Draxten  
10- Larry Lucht  
11- Scott Evens  
11- Mark Frehse  
12- Crystal Nelson  
12- Collette Zimpel  
12- Pam McDonald  
12- Joseph Anderson  
14- Julie Hesse  
14- Carol Bailey  
15- Lloyd Vivant  
15- Antonie Vandersteeg  
18- Ron Thomsen  
19- Fran Berge  
20- Allie Zimpel  
23- Samantha Evens  
24- Cory Zimpel  
24- Nick Mayer  
24- Jeremy Mickelson  
24- Byron Cooper  
24- Ginger Ziesmer  
25- Gabrielle Unger  
26- Jennifer Vivant  
26- Lance Walters  
28- Amy Vivant  
30- Allen Johnson  
30- Amy Gelhar  
30- Molly Nolan

*Happy  
Birthday*



# June

## ANNIVERSARIES

10- Harold & Ardel Lucht – 1967  
10- Greg & Collette Zimpel – 2000  
10- Gerald & Phyllis Walters – 1961  
12- Ken & Pastor Cathy Hedmark  
13- Lloyd & Frances Vivant – 1964  
13- Art & Carol Danielson – 1970  
13- David & Janice Anderson – 1981  
17- Bryan & Darilyn Stulc – 1978  
18- Wally & Gail Jorgenson – 1983  
21- Kim & Vicki Smith – 1975  
24- Robert & Dorothy Nolan – 1978

*Happy Anniversary*



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Zion Financial Corner:

Needed Monthly: \$ 2,602.63

Apr. Offerings: \$ 1,701.00

Difference: \$ -901.63

**“It was You who  
set all the  
boundaries of the  
earth; You made  
both summer and  
winter.”**

**~Psalm 74:17~**



**Thank you to  
Carole Erickson  
and Rick Nelson  
for their donations  
to The Bridge.  
All donations are  
very much  
appreciated!**

**...for God loves a  
cheerful giver.  
-II Corinthians 9:7b**

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Holden Financial Corner:

Needed Monthly: \$ 3,273.33

Apr. Offerings: \$ 1,919.00

Difference: \$ - 1,354.33