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Facebook: Minnesota Valley Lutheran

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YouTube: Zion Lutheran Appleton/MN Valley Lutheran

**Prayer Concerns**: Family and friends of Stanley Wilts; Selena Morales, Zander Uluestad (Diane Jensen’s niece's grandson), Lynn Henkelman, Kami Schoenfeld, Nory Hegland, Mary Aasland, Marlys Van Winkle, Harvey Schwarz, (brother of Elaine Rau), Bob Roggatz, Kari Brown (Molly Erickson’s daughter), Tabe & Kathy Hoppe, Joe Espinoza, Jennifer Gibson (daughter of Barb Gens), Christopher Kepner, Kari Brustuen Paulson (sister of Barb Gens), Christal (Stotesbery) Spah, Chuck Tatge, Stanley Wilts, Barb Gens, and Jody Longman. SW Diocese Africa Companion Synod, and all of those that we hold silently in our hearts.

**BORGUND, MN VALLEY & ZION LUTHERAN**

 **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

 Sunday, January 14th, 2024

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS p. 94**

**GATHERING HYMN ELW 696 *“Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult”***

**GREETING AND KYRIE p. 138**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE p. 139**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (insert)

**MESSAGE FOR ALL GOD’S CHILDREN**

 (Zion SS children dismissed)

**FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]**

**PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

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**GOSPEL: John 1:43-51**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 798 *“Will You Come and Follow Me”***

**APOSTLES CREED p. 105**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (insert)

**PEACE**

**OFFERING: ELW 840 *“Now Thank We All Our God”***

(verse 1)

**OFFERING PRAYER**

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**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE** (MN Valley/ Zion)

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**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** (MN Valley/ Zion)

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**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** (MN Valley/ Zion)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (MN Valley/ Zion)

**BLESSING & SENDING**

**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

**SENDING HYMN ELW 770 *“Give Me Jesus”***

**DISMISSAL**

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**MN Valley**

Ushers: Roger Borstad

Communion: Glad H.

Lector: Need Volunteer

Acolytes: Kaci

Videotaping: Don Tweet

**Borgund-January**

Ben & Kelly Vaala

Charlie Presthold

**Zion**

Lector: Laura Perry

Communion: Kevin & Kathy Skjei

Videotaping: Hope Schmidt

January Ushers:Roger Boraas

**Zion Altar Guild**

Flowers: Alyce Fust

Communion: Diane Kepner

Paraments: Need Volunteer

*Zion members: We invite those who donated poinsettias to take them home. Thank you!*

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*Remember that the work of the church council is an essential function of discipleship. The council’s work is designed to encourage and support the formation of Christian faith and discipleship in your congregation.* **MN Valley’s** President position for council is open. If you are interested please contact Dale Lien. **Zion** has 3 positions open on council and if you are interested please contact the office at 320-289-2216.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today, January 14: 2 Epiphany**

 - 8:30am Zion Worship

 - 10:30am Borgund Worship

 - 10:30am MN Valley Worship

**Wednesday, January 17**

 -10am Apple Ridge Worship

 - 1pm Zion Prayer Shawl gathering

 - 3:45 Tri-Church Confirmation @ Zion

**Sunday, January 21: 3 Epiphany**

 - 8:30am Zion Worship

 - 10:30am Borgund Worship

 - 10:30am MN Valley Worship/Annual mtg.

**Monday, January 22**

 - 10:15am Care Center Worship

**Wednesday, January 24**

 - 3:45 Tri-Church Confirmation @ Zion

**Sunday, January 28: 4 Epiphany**

 - 8:30am Zion Worship/Annual mtg.

 - 8:30am - 1pm Appleton VFW Brunch

 - 10:30am Borgund Worship

 - 10:30am MN Valley Worship

**Annual Meeting Dates**

Sunday, January 21 – MN Valley’s Annual mtg. **- Deadline for reports: Wednesday, January 17th by 8am.**

Sunday, January 28 – Zion Lutheran’s Annual mtg. **- Deadline for reports: Wednesday, January 24th by 8am.**

**Wednesday, January 17:**

- 1pm Zion Prayer Shawl gathering

- 3:45pm Tri-Church Confirmation Class at Zion Lutheran.

Zion will be delivering Meals On Wheels January 22 - January 26 and January 29 - February 2. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the office. Thank you!

**Wednesday, January 24:** 3:45pm Tri-Church Confirmation Class at Zion Lutheran.

***The Appleton VFW*** will be having a BRUNCH served Sunday, January 28, 8:30am to 1pm.

We will again be doing a ***Tri-Church choir*** that will be singing during the Maundy Thursday service. Rehearsals will be after Lenten Services at the various churches. Last year went very well. Thank you to those who sang last year. Looking forward to seeing you all again. Dale Lien has extra copies of music for MN Valley & Borgund singers who are interested. Thank you, Ted Albers-Director

**MN Valley:** Thank you to all who helped decorate, and take down decorations for Christmas this year. We appreciate all your hard work.

*Zion* has decided to order two new smaller Christmas trees for the church. Donations are welcome and your generosity is appreciated.

**Zion:** The year-end quarterlies are on the table in the commons. Please remember to grab yours. Thank you.

Sara Shingledecker (aka Sara Larson and Sara Dahl) will be ordained as a Pastor of Word and Sacrament in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America on January 21 at 3:30pm at First Lutheran Church in Marshall, MN.

(In the case of inclement weather this event will be held on Feb. 3)

Rachel Kurtz will lead singing with other talented musicians from SW MN and Rev. Meta Herrick Carlson will be preaching. Bishop Dee Pedersen will preside. Lingen’s Food Truck will provide refreshments and a mighty tasty sandwich.

This event will be live-streamed at <https://www.youtube.com/c/FirstLutheranChurchMarshall>

All attendees in person or from a distance are encouraged to bring or donate an in-kind offering of feminine hygiene supplies, large-sized diapers, or pull-ups which can be distributed locally.

The color of the day is RED!