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**Prayer Concerns**: Dave Fust, Twila Vaala, Alyce Fust, Joan Bremseth, Luann Hegland, Allen Jensen, Selena Morales, Zander Uluestad (Diane Jensen’s niece's grandson), Lynn Henkelman, 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), Kari Brustuen Paulson (sister of Barb Gens), Christal (Stotesbery) Spah, Chuck Tatge, Barb Gens, and Jody Longman. Ayethaba Xulu, Nokwanda Nsele, Nontuthuko Ntombela and Alwande Ntombela (Scholarship Students). SW Diocese Africa Companion Synod, and all of those that we hold silently in our hearts.

Prayers and blessings for Jaden and Jackson Vig, the grandsons of Dave and Alyce Fust as they get Confirmed in Glenwood today, April 28th.

 **BORGUND, MN VALLEY & ZION LUTHERAN**

 **5 EASTER - CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

 Sunday, April 28, 2024

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**GOSPEL: John 15:1-8**

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**BLESSING & SENDING**

**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

**SENDING HYMN ELW 802 *“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”***

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**MN Valley**

Ushers: Jon & Dawn Olson

Communion: Jason L.

Lector: Randy & Rachel R.

Acolyte: Kaci

Videotaping: Scott Omland

**Borgund-April**

Ushers: Charlie & Jan Prestholdt

Communion: Charlie Presthold

**Zion**

Lector: Reese, Madison, Harris, Brooklyn and Jacob

Communion: Shelly Schirm

Videotaping: Sara Vacek

**April Ushers: Ted & Cathy Albers**

**Zion Altar Guild**

Flowers: Ruthy Henkelman

Communion: Connie Stotesbery & Sandy Tatge

Paraments: Pati Arnold

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Thank you Tim Larson for leading worship at MN Valley today.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today, April 28 - 5 Easter & Confirmation Sunday @ Zion**

 -8:30am Borgund worship

 -10:30am MN Valley worship

 -10:15am Confirmation Students gather in Commons @ Zion

 -10:30am Zion worship - Confirmation Sunday

**Sunday, May 5 - 6 Easter**

 -8:30am Borgund worship

 -10:30am MN Valley worship

 -10:30am Zion worship

**Wednesday, May 8**

 -9am Zion Quilting/ZLCW lunch

 -7pm Tri-Church Council mtg. @ Zion

Today! St. John’s Catholic Church Spring Fling in Appleton. Mass will start at 10:30am and dinner will be served 11am-1pm. Roast Beef Commercial Dinner served with coleslaw, bars and a beverage. Take out is available!

**Wednesday, May 8: 7pm Tri-Church Council meeting** held at Zion Lutheran Church. 9am Zion Quilting with a ZLCW lunch to follow.

**+ Sunday, May 12 MN Valley** will be honoring the 2024 Graduates during the 10:30am worship service. Please arrive by 10:15am wearing your gown.

**MN Valley 2024 Graduates**

Eli Hegland & Jenna Coil

**+ We will be honoring the 2024 High School Graduates on Sunday, May 19 at the 10:30am worship service at Zion.** Please come wearing your gown and meet in the Lounge by 10:15am to receive your boutonniere. You will also be presented with a gift from the congregation. There will be coffee and cake served after the service.

**Zion 2024 Graduates**

Cael Benson, Claire Borstad, Isabel Gerdes, Keaton Peters,

Grace Vacek

2024 SW MN SWO Convention

Saturday, May 4th, 2024

301 North Lincoln Street, Redwood Falls, MN 56283

Officiating: Rev. Heather Culuris

Guest Speaker: Aliyah Ewing, Terebinth Refuge

 Registration Fee: $40.00

Convention Schedule

7:30am – Truck Opens (For In-Kind Offerings)

8:00am – Registration Begins

9:00am – Opening Worship

4:00pm – Convention Closes

Please contact the office at Zion if you are interested in attending. Thank you!

*There will be an open house bridal shower honoring Isabel Schirm, bride-to-be of Dain Haas, on Saturday, May 11, at the Appleton Golf Course. "Come and Go” from 10am to 12pm. The couple is registered at Amazon and Target.*

**Last Day of Sunday School**

MN Valley Lutheran: Sunday, May 5

Borgund Lutheran: Sunday, May 12 with fellowship following worship.

Zion Lutheran: Sunday, May 19 with fellowship following worship. Sunday School Bake Sale Fundraiser.

**Zion is seeking Delegates** to represent Zion by attending the Synod Assembly June 7-8th. This may be in person or via Zoom. Please contact the Zion office for more information.

LQP Conference at Southwest MN Synod is sponsoring scholarships for high school students in our companion Synod. Please keep the following students in your prayers: Ayethaba Xulu, Nokwanda Nsele, Nontuthuko Ntombela and Alwande Ntombela.

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 **CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD’S BLESSING!**

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