

Zion & Carpio Lutheran Newsletter August 2026



FROM MINISTER HEATHER

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Heather Feland
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Summer Worship:
Joint Worship between
Zion & Carpio – 10am

Holy Communion
available the first two
Sunday each month

*Our Mission is to
proclaim the good news
of God to all people so
that, they will become
disciples of Jesus Christ*

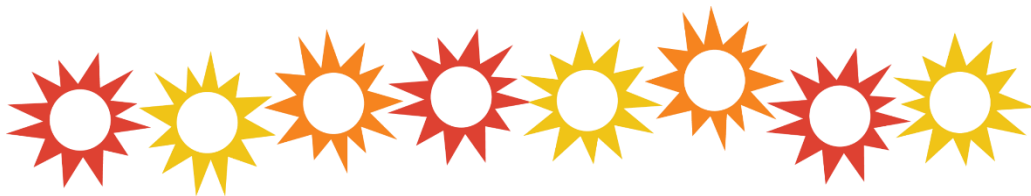
Here we are — August. The lake days are still warm, gardens are still full of vegetables growing, but school supply lists are showing up, practice schedules are posted, and vacations are winding down. We're standing in that in-between space: one foot in lazy mornings, one foot stepping back into routine. It's easy to look at that stretch of ordinary days ahead and think, "Nothing important happens here." We tend to believe character gets built in the big, dramatic moments, the crisis, the mission trip, the once-in-a-lifetime decision. So the small stuff, packing lunches, driving to practice, sticking to a schedule starts to feel like it doesn't count. We coast through it, waiting for the "real" moment of faithfulness to show up. But Jesus had something different to say about that.

In Luke 16:10, Jesus says: "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much." Notice He doesn't treat the little things as separate from the big things — a warm-up before the real performance. He says the little things are the proving ground. They're not preparation for faithfulness; they are faithfulness. The way we handle "very little" reveals — and shapes — whether we can be trusted with much. Let's think about what that means for August. The alarm you actually get up for. The promise to a kid that you'll be at the game, and you show up even when you're tired. The honest answer when a small lie would be easier. None of it makes the news. But this is exactly where character gets built — quietly, repeatedly, in moments nobody's grading. God isn't waiting for your big moment; He's paying attention to the unnoticed ones, forming something in you day by day.

So as you step back into routines this month, don't despise the small stuff.

Showing up on time when no one would notice, telling the truth in a small moment, keeping a small commitment — that's faithfulness. And Jesus tells us plainly: whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much. You don't need a dramatic moment to prove your faithfulness this August. You just need today — this ordinary Monday, this early alarm, this small choice to be honest and present. God sees it, and He's shaping you through it. May you find in the small, steady rhythms of August not a burden to get through, but a gift — a quiet place where God is doing His good work in you.

In Christ's peace and love, Heather



August
Office Hours



SAM HEATHER AUGUST SCHEDULE

The Congregation will always come first:
Heather is available any day, every day.

Monday	Day Off	--
Tuesday	Office Hours (Carpio)	8am-2:30pm
	Parish Bible Study (Carpio)	10am
Wednesday	Office Hours (Zion)	8am-2:30pm
Thursday	Office Hours (Zion)	8am-1:30pm
	Mentor meetings and various visits as needed	Afternoon
Friday	Visits	--

WEDNESDAY'S IN THE WORD - UPDATED SCHEDULE

WEEK 3

WE BUILD UP
ROMANS 12:3-18



CITY PARK GATHERING



FREEZEY'S



OUTDOOR FELLOWSHIP



DISCUSSION & PRAYER

AUGUST 19TH

6-8PM

BERTHOLD CITY PARK

WEEK 4

WE CONTINUE
HEBREWS 10:19-25



CAMPFIRE



S'MORES



SONGS & TESTAMONIES



PRAYER TOGETHER

AUGUST 26TH

6-8PM

CARPIO LUTHERAN CHURCH

RALLY SUNDAY

Rally Sunday is scheduled for September 13th. Please watch bulletins and the September newsletter for additional information.



BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Bible Study is every Tuesday at Carpio Lutheran at 10am. Right now we are studying the Parables of Jesus.

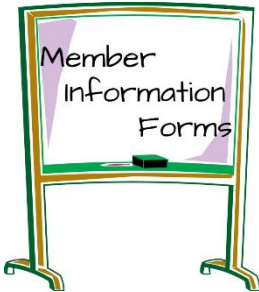
Watch for an updated Bible Study schedule for this Fall.



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FORMS

We would like to have updated membership forms for everyone in both congregations. There are forms on the table as you enter the sanctuary and there is also a form you can fill out online. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to either Kershawn at Zion or Katie at Carpio.

<http://www.zionberthold.com/member-information.php>



ZION & CARPIO LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP RECORDING



Both Zion and Carpio Worship Recording has been moved to our website.

To access Zion's Sunday recordings, you will hover on Zion Lutheran, then click on

Zion Worship Recording.

To access Carpio's Sunday recordings, you will hover on Carpio Lutheran, then click on Carpio Worship Recording.

For those who choose to use the ONLINE version of worship, your OFFERINGS may be mailed to the Financial Secretary of your congregation.

We will no longer be using Facebook or YouTube for worship service viewing.

www.zionberthold.com

CARPIO FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Erica Moen
PO Box 129
Carpio, ND 58725

ZION FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Connie Hagen
6101-310th St NW
Berthold, ND 58718



SERVING IN AUGUST AT CARPIO

Usher: Austin Moen

Altar Guild: Tammy Erickson

Piano: Tammi Moen



SERVING IN AUGUST AT ZION

Altar Guild: Laurie Gathman & Lynne Hennessy

Organist: Julie Deaver

Ushers: Needed

Readers: 2nd – Amy Neshem

16th – Alechia Neubauer

30th – Carol Rovig



Fellowship during the months of August will be served by the ZLCW.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are ill.

CONTINUED PRAYERS for all nursing home residents and homebound members.

CONTINUED SAFETY for all military personnel who are stationed around the world.

PLEASE NOTE that due to privacy issues, we cannot mention names in prayers without consent.



ZLCW

August 2nd – 1st Sunday Gifts

We will be having a raffle this fall. If anyone would like to donate an item for the raffle, please let us know as soon as possible – we need to have a list and approximate value to get the permit.

Mary Martha Circle will continue in the September.

BERTHOLD ZION FOOD PANTRY

The Berthold Food Pantry is open the 2nd Tuesday of each month

Tuesday, August 11th, 2026
10am-12pm and 5pm-7pm



If the above times do not work for you, you may make an appointment for an alternate day and time by calling:

Carol Rovig, Director – 701-720-6028 or Shelly Marum, Co-Director – 701-720-6836



SIMPLY GIVING® PROGRAM

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings taken from your bank account as you do other monthly drafts? At no cost to the congregation? Thrivent Financial for Lutherans sponsors a program called Simply Giving®, which offers this service for people who wish to have offerings transferred electronically to their church's account. For those who travel, this is particularly helpful in keeping up with their intended offerings, and it will keep you from having to make up the difference later. The Council has approved this program for those who choose to participate in it. Contact the church office for more details.

NEW WEBSITE

We have a new website that joins us together as a Parish.

Check it out at:

www.zionberthold.com



ZION CHURCH COUNCIL ~ JUNE 7th, 2026

Meeting called to order by Jerry Hennessy. Minister Heather Feland led a word of prayer.

Council Members present: Candice Asmundson, Marvin Heller, Alechia Neubauer, Corine Christman, Wes Hagen, Will Burke, Jerry Hennessy

Other Present:

Absent: Karla Bredahl, Lyle Gorseth, Kylene Hornberger, Kershawn Michel

Read and reviewed the monthly council meeting minutes from the previous meeting. Motion by Candice Asmundson to approve the minutes as written. Second by Wes Hagen. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Kylene Hornberger

Discussion: Discussion took place concerning the Visa account and charges. All questions answered.

Marvin Heller made a motion to accept the financial report. Second by Alechia Neubauer. Motion carried.

TEAM REPORTS:

Worship & Music:

Wes Hagen & Karla Bredahl

June 9th – pick out music

Evangelism:

Lyle Gorseth

N/A

Stewardship & Finance:

Alechia Neubauer

N/A

Board of Ed.:

Candice Asmundson

N/A

Luther League:

Corine Christman

N/A

Maintenance & Property:

Marvin Heller & Jerry Hennessy

Parsonage items and move mowing closer to Sunday's and spray for dandelions.

Minister Report:

1. Pastors report – see attached report.
2. Greg would like to tear down the deck at Parsonage; does he have permission.
3. Updates on the Synod Assembly. Thank you to Helen and Bob Grant for attending.
4. We have a new Bishop Elect/Lisa Lewton.
5. Summer Worship Schedule - Wednesdays in the Word – Marisa Burke will do music and assist. Flyers and Facebook posts will happen for this schedule. Thank you to all for helping with this. Heather will turn in receipts and money will come from budgeted areas.
6. Vacation at end of June- Evan Meiers will conduct worship on June 28th.

Old Business:

1. Deck/Patio at parsonage. Greg will tear down old deck that is falling apart. Jerry Hennessy, Klint Hanson, and Will Burke worked together to get estimates and plan what would be best to replace the existing deck. A 16x16 cement pad, steps with a landing, and all that entails was bid by Josh H out of Burlington. Candice Asmundson made a motion to have all dirt work, pouring of a stamped patio, construction of steps and a landing, and removal of all materials for a budget of \$10,000. Marvin Heller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

2. Jerry Hennessy will speak with Klint Hanson and Greg concerning the heating and cooling in the church and the operation of each to ensure all is working properly.

Next Zion Council Meeting will be held on August 2nd @ 11am.

Meeting was adjourned & closed with The Lord's Prayer.

CARPIO LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

The council meeting was held on June 7, 2026 at 5 pm. Members present were Tammi Moen, Crystal Eide, Lyndon Bloms, Stan Vangsness and Wes Peterson. The meeting was called to order by council president, Lyndon Bloms. Minister Heather Feland opened the meeting with a prayer.

The secretary's report for the council meeting held on April 12, 2026 was given by Crystal Eide. Stan Vangsness motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Wes Peterson seconded, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was given by Tammi Moen. Crystal Eide motioned to accept the treasurer's report, Stan Vangsness seconded, motion carried.

The pastor's report was given by Minister Heather Feland.

Vacation Bible School was once again a success. There were 46 kids that attended and 15 helpers. Motion was made by Lyndon Bloms to give gift cards to those in charge of VBS, Jacey, Tracie, and Katie. Stan Vangsness seconded, motion carried.

Minister Heather requested vacation from June 22nd - June 29th. Crystal Eide motioned to accept her vacation request. Stan Vangsness seconded, motion carried.

Wes Peterson motioned to split the cost of buying songs for the TV with Zion. Stan Vangsness seconded, motion carried.

Stan Vangsness made a motion to accept the quote to repair the furnace. Lyndon Bloms seconded, motion carried.

Next council meeting will be August 2, 2026 at 5 pm.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting Adjourned

Crystal Eide

Recording Secretary

HEATHER'S MONTHLY SCHEDULE - MAY 2026

Church Services		Extra Stuff	
3 rd	9am & 11am – Confirmation	1 st	Visits in Minot – Gave out May Baskets
10 th	9am & 11am – kit blessing		2:30pm – Burial at Wildrose Cem.
17 th	9am & 11am – Senior Rec		7pm – Baptism in Carpio
24 th	9am & 11am	2 nd	1 st Communion Class – Carpio
31 st	Katie & Jacey – Joint – Carpio		With Family at Hospital
		3 rd	Pie Social
Carpio Office Days			Baccalaureate Service – Zion
5 th	Funeral – Carpio	4 th	School for Grief Counseling
12 th	8am-6:30pm		Phone with Funeral Homes
19 th	Funeral – Zion		Dr. Appt.
26 th	8am-5:30pm	5 th	Funeral Home
			Vangsness Family
Zion Office Days			Bryantt Family
6 th	8am-5:30pm		2pm – Geyer Funeral – Carpio
13 th	11:30am-5pm	6 th	Visit with Family – funeral prep
18 th	1-4pm		6:30pm – Zion Council Meeting
20 th	1-6pm	7 th	Drive to Metigoshe
21 st	9am-3pm		Western Prairie Conference
27 th	9am-6pm	8 th	5-9 – Visitation – Prayer Svc - Zion
		9 th	10:30am – Vangsness Funeral – Carpio
Visits – 45			2pm – Bryantt Funeral – Zion
1 st	Visits in Minot (Trip 1)	12 th	Zoom Meeting – Assignments
2 nd	Hospital	13 th	Ecumenical Council Met – B.C.
5 th	Funeral Home – Family		Personal Family Prayer Svc. – B. Askvig
8 th	Visits in Minot (Trip2 2)	14 th	Funeral Home
15 th	Visits in Minot		van Schoor Family
20 th	Hospital Visit		Personal Funeral – B. Askvig
		15 th	Visit in Minot
Bible Study - Carpio		18 th	4-8pm – Visitation/Prayer Svc – Zion
5 th	Canceled	19 th	11am – van Schoor Funeral – Zion
12 th	10-11am	20 th	Hospital Visit
19 th	Canceled	25 th	Memorial Day Service – School
26 th	10-11:30am		2:30pm – Meeting at Zion Wedding
		29 th	Travel to Watford City – Synod Assembly
To Be Married		31 st	Travel back from Watford City
Carpio	Kenzie Kurtz & Seth Fjeldahl – August 8		
Zion	Katelyn Schumaier & Dalton Walker – September 18 (not at the church)		
Mileage from visits record to Minot			
Trip 1	23 miles + 23 miles = 46		
Trip 2	23 miles + 23 miles = 46		
Total Mileage = 92 miles (to be split between Berthold/Carpio			
Unable to do the visits I wanted			



Back To School

SHOE DRIVE

AUGUST 1 - SEPTEMBER 1

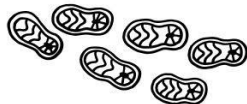
Hi I'm Abby Finke and after an incredible turnout last year I am hosting a Back to School Shoe Drive again! All shoes will again be donated to the **Matthew 25 Project** in Minot, ND.



Last year we were able to donate **202 pairs** of tennis shoes and winter boots to PreK-6th graders in need! My goal this year is to meet or beat **50 pairs of shoes!**

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

- 📍 Berthold Zion Lutheran Church
- 📍 Carpio Lutheran Church
- 📍 St. Anne's Catholic - Berthold
- 📍 Berthold Baptist Church
- 📍 Berthold Public School



LOOKING FOR BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- ▶ Gently used/new
- ▶ Tennis shoes/gym shoes
- ▶ Sizes 9T - Adult 8

WANT TO ASSIST FINANCIALLY?

Accepting Cash and Venmo!
Venmo: Abby-Finke
(please specify "shoe drive")

(All funds collected will go to fill in gaps of shoe sizes)

For More Information:

(701) 833-6335

abby.finke.nd@gmail.com



CAMPERSHIPS

Available for any youth that plan to attend Bible Camp at any ZLCW camp in North Dakota! Sign-ups are on the office door. Contact Kershawn Michel with any questions at 701.822.2106.

AUGUST WORSHIP SCHEDULE

August	
2 nd	Zion (Holy Communion)
9 th	Carpio (Holy Communion)
16 th	Zion
23 rd	Carpio
30 th	Berthold City Park

BACK TO SCHOOL

FLY HIGH, BOMBERS!

8/5 - Registration:
9am-3pm
All Families

8/17 - Back to School Night:
4-6pm

8/19 - 1st Day of School:
8:30am

Walk in kindness,
shine with courage,
go with God.
Ephesians 4:32



The ZLCW is gathering supplies for Lutheran World Relief

School Kits:

- Notebooks – 70 sheet, college or wide ruled
- Crayons – boxes of 16 or 24
- Scissors – blunt tip
- Pencils – No. 2, unsharpened with erasers
- Pens – black or blue ink ballpoint *Erasers – 2 ½"
- No rulers or pencil sharpeners needed at this time.

Personal Care Kits:

- 1 lightweight, dark color bath towel
20"x40" to 52" x 27"
 - 2- 4oz bars of soap
 - 1 adult sized toothbrush
 - 1 metal nail clipper
 - combs have been provided by the ZLCW
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BERTHOLD
Summer
FUN NIGHTS

WEDNESDAY
6-9 PM
August 5
August 12

at **TJ's Relay Station** • 520 N Ave NE • Berthold, ND • Located just west of Berthold Cenex

RIVER'S RIDES
6-8 PM

LIVE Music

THE REPLACEMENTS
AUGUST 5

KIDS BOOT RACE
1st Place \$25
2nd Place \$15

MIKE GREENUP
AUGUST 12

CONCESSIONS
provided by
Local Youth Group
ICE CREAM
Sweet Links
COFFEE
Werita's Coffee Co

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EACH NIGHT
FOR COFFEE
FROM
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701-240-2844

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TO SEE THE
BERTHOLD
FIRE TRUCK

Please Join Us! • Ages 5 to 95
AUGUST 5 AND AUGUST 12

Serving the Community—On Duty and Off!

CARPIO FIRE DEPT. DAYS

SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH, 2026 | **MAIN ST. CARPIO** | **PARADE STARTS AT 4:00 PM**

ACTIVITIES OPEN FROM 4:30 - 8:30 PM • FREE FOR ALL!

- PARADE** – Roll through town and show your community pride, firehouse style
- DUNK TANK – DUNK-A-CHIEF** – Step up and send the Chief for a swim!
- AXE THROWING** – Channel your inner firefighter and hit your mark
- BOUNCE HOUSES** – Big air and big laughs for the kids
- MINI GOLF** – Putt your way through a fun, family-friendly course
- TOUCH-A-TRUCK** – Climb in, check it out, and explore real fire trucks, tractors, and more
- WAGON RIDES** – Kick back and enjoy a classic horse-drawn ride with the crew

FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM BACKDRAFT Cafe & BBQ

STREET DANCE WITH THE MISSING LYNX STARTS AT 8:30 PM

CARPIO FIRE DEPT. PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH, 2026
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

- FREE WILL OFFERING -

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT NEW FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

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ZION - CARPIO PRAYER CHAIN

Group A

Helen Grant, Leader	340-8083
Carolyn Graff	822-3979
Lorna Hansen	240-7000
Patsy Anderson	468-5460
Connie & Wes Hagen	453-3566
Virginia Erickson	453-3676
Kelly Finke	720-4574

Group B

Gayle Gorseth, Leader	833-7284
Marianne Vangness	833-8567
Barb Cooper	629-5075
Lynne Hennessy	833-9274
Faye Asmundson	240-1234
Ginger Lautenschlager	833-6648
Linda Burgard	537-9828

Group C

Julie Deaver, Leader	500-0352
Heather Feland	721-4595
Carol Rovig	720-6028
Nancy Neshem	720-9781
Corine Christman	833-1899
Jill Brown	340-3158
Amy Neshem	720-1442

Group D

Jerrolyn Wirtz, Leader	629-0588
Kathy McGuire	509-5837
Nancy Hanson	721-5193
Laurie Gathman	720-1029
Joyce Tudahl	509-8595
Jacey Erickson	240-2441
Katie Faul	818-0500

Please call Helen Grant with the Prayer Request and she will notify the Leaders of the 4 Groups by text message.

The Leaders will then start calling the individuals of their group.

If someone does not answer, please call the next person on the list.

If you wish to be added to the list, please let Helen Grant Know.





August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Starting in September, we will be going back to regular Worship at each church: Carpio - 9am Fellowship - 10am Zion - 11am						1
2 10am Joint Worship at Zion with Holy Communion 11am Fellowship 11am Zion Church Council Meeting 5pm Carpio Church Council Meeting	3 Minister Heather Day Off 1pm Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	4 8am-2:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Carpio 10am Parish Bible Study at Carpio	5 8am-2:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Zion 9am-3pm Berthold School Reg. 6-9pm Summer Fun Nights in Berthold	6 8am-1:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Zion 10am Western Prairie Conference	7 3pm Carpio - Kurtz/Fjeldahl Rehearsal	8 3pm Carpio - Kurtz/Fjeldahl Wedding 4pm Carpio Fire Dept Days
9 Soup Pot Sunday in Carpio 8am-1pm Carpio Fire Dept Pancake Breakfast 10am Joint Worship at Carpio with Holy Communion 11am Fellowship	10 Minister Heather Day Off 1pm Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	11 8am-2:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Carpio 10am Parish Bible Study at Carpio 10am-12pm Food Pantry Open 5-7pm Food Pantry Open	12 8am-2:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Zion 6-9pm Summer Fun Nights in Berthold	13 8am-1:30pm Minister Ofc Hrs - Zion	14	15
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