

Zion Lutheran School Newsletter

September 12th, 2025

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ZLS Parents,

It was great to hear responses from parents last Thursday (9/4) about what everyone is excited about for this school year. Some said they were excited about the theology, the Christian culture, the music program, the fact that we are not a public school, daily Matins services, communion services, the bridge program, and our high school!

I was especially thankful for Pastor Baumbach's support of our Christian community and hospitality list (on the reminder page). This list are those families willing to receive an invitation to a family dinner. If you are willing to be invited to dinner by other Zion families, please add family to the list in the school entryway and we publish the additions in the next school newsletter. I greatly encourage you to invite someone from this list over to your house next week. Hosting someone for a family dinner involves coordination, meal prep, cleaning, and sometimes the worries that come with hosting. *Our table is too small! Our house is a mess! The lawn has dandelions in it! What if they think we're weird?* I have had all of these thoughts when hosting, but these concerns and worries must be forgotten. Families on this list will be thankful for an invite to dinner and want to be in your home to get to know you. This sort of hospitality is vital for a Christian community. It will lead to friendships and love between Christians, and is worth the coordination, the prep, and clean-up. Through these invitations, we will build true friendships and true community. God gives us each other to help, encourage, and do life with other Christians week in and week out. Enjoy this wonderful gift!

May God be with you,

Headmaster Swigart

The courage of Charlie Kirk:

On our reader board, we are honoring the courage of Charlie Kirk, a conservative Christian media spokesman who was killed on Wednesday (9/10). Charlie Kirk regularly spoke out about his faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and boldly encouraged God's design in the family and the state. At ZLS we pray to God and work diligently that our students and families would have the kind of courage that he exemplified in his life. We will also continue to work with our school resource officer (SRO), Officer Bryce Martin, and other SROs and continue to train our staff to ensure that ZLS is secure and prepared against any attacks that have been increasing against Christian institutions.

CERTE DE FASTIS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Aug	1 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	2	3	4 ZLS Fellowship PTF Kickoff Night 6-7:30 pm	5	6
7 Students Sing at ZLC / Staff Blessing 10:15 am	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 1st QTR Midterm	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Picture Day Individual 8:30am	1 Oct	2 Oct	3 Oct	4 Oct

1st	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day	
4th	ZLS Fellowship / PTF Kickoff Night	6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
7th	Students Sing at ZLC / Staff Blessing	10:15 am
23rd	1st Quarter Midterm	
30th	Picture Day (Individual)	8:30 am

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Sep	29 Sep	30 Sep Picture Day Individual 8:30am	1	2 Pastor Appreciation Luncheon 11:15 am	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 PTF Meeting 3:10 pm	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Oktoberfest Dinner & Auction 5:30 - 8:00 pm
19	20	21	22	23 End of 1st QTR	24 NO SCHOOL Teacher's Inservice Day	25
26	27 1st Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences (3:15 - 4:30)	28 1st Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences (4:15 - 4:45)	29 1st Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences (3:15 - 4:30)	30 1st Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences (3:15 - 4:30)	31 NO SCHOOL	1 Nov

2nd	Pastor Appreciation Luncheon	11:15 am
9th	PTF Meeting	3:10 pm
18th	Oktoberfest Dinner and Auction	5:30 pm to 8:00 pm
23rd	End of 1st Quarter	
24th	NO SCHOOL - Teachers Inservice	
27th -30th	1st QTR Parent Teacher Conferences	
	5 Day Students (PK - 6th grade); Bridge Students (All grades)	
31st	NO SCHOOL	

NUNTIUS - ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ♦ **Individual School Picture Day:** Timeless Photos will be at Zion Lutheran

School on **Monday, September 30th, at 08:30 am** to take individual school pictures of our students and staff. The enclosed School Photo Flyer is also being sent home by your child's teacher this week.

- ♦ **Ordering pictures:** Please follow the instructions to order the school pictures.
- ♦ **Dress for pictures:** Boys may wear a dress shirt and are encouraged to wear a tie, but not required. Girls may wear a knee length dress or skirt. No make-up.
- ♦ **PTF Oktoberfest Dinner and Auction needs:** The annual dinner and auction is Zion Lutheran School's biggest fundraiser for the year. To make the auction as successful as possible, the PTF is requesting the items listed below from each family. The following donations are not requirements for enrollment. If you are unable to donate the items listed below, please let Mr. Swigart know, so he can fundraise the items from other sources.
 - ♦ Class Basket donations (We are asking for high quality basket items around \$50.00)
 - ♦ PK Class Basket - Sports Theme
 - ♦ K & 1st Class Basket - Family BBQ Theme
 - ♦ 2nd - 4th Class Basket - Gardening Theme
 - ♦ 5th - 6th Class Basket - Camping Theme
 - ♦ 7th - 9th Class Basket - Sports Theme
 - ♦ Individual Baskets with items totaling \$50. If you are unable to make a basket and are willing to donate towards one, please donate \$50 to our PTF who will use that money to make additional baskets for the auction.
 - ♦ The PTF is also accepting donation items that can be utilized for the Live and Online auction.
 - ♦ Each family selling Raffle and Dinner Tickets
 - ♦ Thursday mornings (September 18th, 25th, and October 2nd, 9th, and 16th), each student will turn in all packets to their homeroom teacher. Those packets will be refilled with additional Raffle Tickets and returned to their homeroom teacher, to send home again at the end of the day.
 - ♦ Please reach out to your employers or other businesses or corporations about matching auction donations.
 - ♦ For questions, please contact Pam Main (PTF President), Andrea Carter (PTF VP) or the Front Office. The deadline for these donations is October 10th, 2025. Donation letters will be provided to those businesses for tax benefits.

CONMEMORATIOS - REMINDERS

ZLS SPIRIT STORE IS OPEN FOR 2 MORE WEEKS!

Zion Lutheran School has partnered with **Owyhee Graphics** this year to bring you official ZLS spirit wear.

How to Shop

Go to the [Zion Lutheran School Website](https://www.zlsnampa.org/): <https://www.zlsnampa.org/>

1. Click on the **Parents** tab

Follow the link to the **Spirit Store**

Store Dates - FINAL TWO WEEKS!

Open: **Now!**

Close: **September 26, 2025**

Don't miss your chance to order!

Show your ZLS school spirit and support our school.

- ♦ **ZLS Dinner Invite Contact Sheet:** During the September 4th, ZLS Fellowship Night, Mr. Swigart introduced a family dinner contact sheet. In this month's newsletter, the headmaster's letter on the front page explains his intent for these dinners. The following families have provided their contact information:

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	Family Name	# of Adults	# of Kids	Phone #	Email	Food Allergies
1.	The Swigart's	(2)	(2)	541-971-9492	swigartfam@gmail.com	Gluten
2.	The Hudnall's	(2)	(3)	480-703-2306	kpmmcCarthy257@gmail.com	None
3.	The Baumbach's	(2)	(4)	208-258-4115	lvbaumbach@gmail.com	None
4.	The Richardson's	(2)	(2)	208-406-0018	scout321@gmail.com	None
5.	The Thelander's	(2)	(3)	208-779-6564	cbtf2927@gmail.com	None
6.	The Virgin's	(2)	(3)	208-941-0423	mandyschorzman@gmail.com	Dairy - Child
7.	The Tomayer's	(2)	(3)	208-995-6655	jstomayer@gmail.com	None

EVENTUS - SCHOOL EVENTS

- ♦ **ZLS Fellowship Night and PTF Kickoff Chili & Salad Bar, September 4th:**
 - A great turnout of return and new families to make the ZLS Fellowship Night a success!
- ♦ **ZLS Students Singing at Zion Lutheran Church on September 7th, 2025:**



EVENTUS - SCHOOL EVENTS

- ◆ **ZLS Staff receives a Blessing from Pastor Swan and the ZLC Congregation on September, 7th, 2025.**



MEET PASTOR SWAN

Pastor for Zion Lutheran Church, Zion Lutheran School and Zion Lutheran Daycare



Pastor Swan's family was especially instrumental in his faith formation and encouraged him across all his activities, leading him to go to Seminary and become a pastor in order to serve the Church in this life of faith. They continue to be a source of encouragement and inspiration.

Pastor Swan grew up in Denver Colorado and is still a devoted fan to the Denver Nuggets, Broncos, and Colorado Avalanche. He also has many family members from Nebraska and is a die-hard Husker fan. In addition to following those sports, he loves books, music, and staying active with pickleball and weightlifting.

Pastor Swan, Christina, and Atlas have felt very blessed with the warm welcome to Zion. They enjoy going to the Zoo, taking Atlas swimming, and going on adventures.

The best moment over the last year was getting installed as Pastor in November 2024 and baptizing and receiving new members at Zion. He is eager to witness the work of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the people here at Zion.

When it comes to hymns, his absolute favorite is Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent with his favorite order of worship being Evening Prayer. His favorite day in the church year is Good Friday.

Pastor Swan is excited to share in the work of the Gospel in the Church, School, and Daycare and to see how God will use the ministries of Zion to further the Kingdom.

Welcome Pastor Swan and thank you for being our Pastor!



SCHOOL PICTURE DAY *is coming...*

Sept. 30th, 2025

Every student is photographed

Watch for their QR code after photos.

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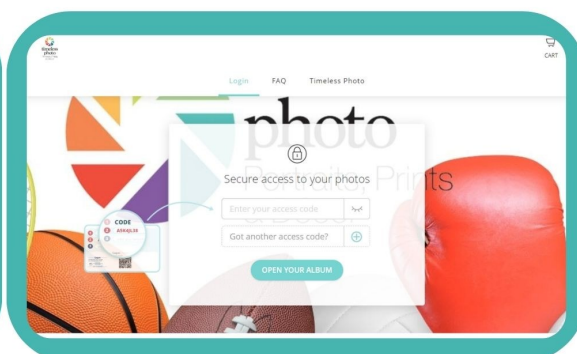
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

How to view and order photos

QR CODES ARE SENT HOME WITH STUDENTS AFTER GETTING THEIR PHOTO TAKEN.



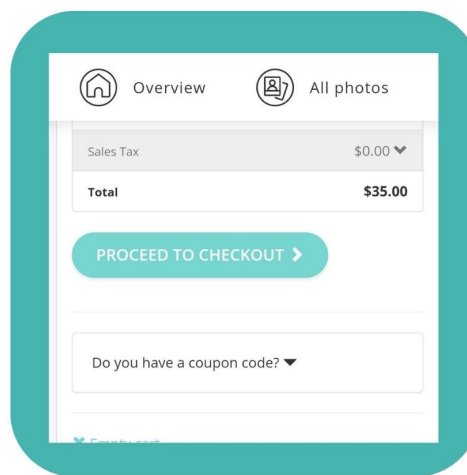
1.) SCAN YOUR QR CODE



2.) ENTER YOUR INFO



3.) YOU'LL BE NOTIFIED WHEN IMAGES ARE READY TO VIEW



4.) COMPLETE YOUR ORDER. PHOTOS SHIP WITHIN A FEW WEEKS

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***Auction and Dinner:** October 18th, 2025 5:30-8:00pm

***Dinner Tickets:** \$50 each—

Ticket includes: Catered meal of appetizers, dinner, non alcoholic beverages;
No host bar available

***Free childcare for attendees:** must sign up

***Live and Silent Auction**

Raffle Items

- Roaring Springs Waterpark
- 1/4 Bell Key Black Angus Beef
- Scheels \$500 GC

Prefer a QR Code to get to Venmo? Scan and Go!



Or pay with cash at the school office. We will take your money any-

Classroom Baskets:

Pre-K: Sports	7th-9th: Sports
K & 1st: Family BBQ	PE: PE basket
2nd -4th: Gardening	FO/Kitchen: Baking/
5th-6th: Camping	Cooking

Click the Link You Need:

*Pay for Raffle and Dinner Tickets thru [Venmo](#)

*Sign up to [attend](#) the Auction

*Sign up for [Childcare](#)

*Sign up to make a dessert for the [Dessert Auction](#)

All forms are created in Google. **If you don't have a Google account, call the school office.**

We can help you. (208-466-9141)



SAVE THE DATE

ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL
OKTOBERFEST

OCTOBER 18TH, 2025

5:30 – 8:00 PM

TICKET PRICE \$50

Ways to pay:

- . Venmo
@zion-lutheran-school-nampa
- . ZLS Front office
- . Buy from a ZLS student
- . ZLS website under the support us
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