



# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God*

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## ***DAILY DEVOTIONAL FROM PASTOR SELL***

### **Friday, November 19**

Owning an old house can be a challenge! I am in the middle of taking care of some of the big issues I knew existed and it has been interesting. Work on the porches resulted in finding more rot than expected. Working in the laundry area resulted in finding two plumbing leaks and a partially rotten and moldy floor under the washer. Then, when I tried to turn on the furnace, I learned the parts had to be ordered and it might be several weeks of camping out in my own house. There are few words to express how I feel. Continuing maintenance in an old house is essential. The problems of age must be fixed as well as problems from previous owners and your own.

Our own physical, mental, and spiritual houses must be maintained as well. Miss the dentist for a couple years and there is work to do. Miss exercising for a few weeks and you feel it. Miss worship and your ability to face life's difficulties is not as strong. We may not think missing these personal maintenance issues is a big deal, but they have a way of building up over time until they need major repairs.