

# Zion Farmers Market



Thursdays- rain or shine!  
June 16-September 29, 2016  
Sheridan Rd. & Shiloh Blvd.  
11 am-7 pm

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# Season Calendar

## 06/16/16 – Pollinator Pleasers

*It pays to please the bees!*

## 06/30/16 – Everything's Coming Up Roses

*More than just a pretty face, learn all the ways you can use a rose.*

## 07/07/16 – Razz-ma-tazz

*Ruby red and sugar sweet, this is a berry, berry delicious treat.*

## 07/14/16 – Stop And Smell The Garlic

*It delivers a punch to the palate and keeps vampires away, too!*

## 07/21/16- Lettuce Discuss This

*Romaine calm – we've hit an iceberg.*

## 07/28/16 – It Will Turnip Sooner or Later

*How turnt up could a turnip turn if a turnip could turn up?*

## 08/04/16 – Okey-Dokey, Artichoke-y!

*Here's to the vegetable that's all heart!*

## 08/11/16 – Getting To The Root Of It All

*Bright and pungent, fresh horseradish perks up any meal!*

## 08/18/16 – All We Are Saying Is: "Give Peas A Chance!"

*Good things come in small packages!*

## 08/25/16 – Positively Radish-ing!

*A tiny radish of passionate scarlet, tipped modestly in white.*

## 09/01/16 – Second Coming

*The sweet spinach of spring makes one last appearance.*

## 09/08/16 – Heroes Respond First

*We honor those who protect our community.*

## 09/15/16 – Nothing To Cry Over

*They're rude, they make you cry and smell bad, but onions have their benefits, too!*

## 09/22/16 – Spud's The Word!

*Be they mashed, fried, boiled or baked...everyone loves potatoes!*



**Pumpkin!**

**09/29/16 – It's The Great**

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*It's the Thursday place to "bee"*



# About Our Market

Celebrating its 12th season, our Market is a growing and vibrant experience providing patrons the opportunity to purchase local farm fresh and/or organic produce, meats and cheeses, prepared foods, specialty foods, artisan crafted items and much, much more.

Other Market highlights include:

- Serves Zion, Beach Park, Winthrop Harbor and Southeastern Wisconsin
- Beautiful parkway location - Shiloh Boulevard & Sheridan Road
- Easy walking distance from Zion Metra station, Market Square, CTCA Guest Quarters and Midwest Regional Medical Center
- Family oriented, friendly activities including story time in our KidZone
- Weekly online KidCraft and Veg-u-cation instructional hand-outs
- On-site ATM
- Monthly online Market newsletter—Fresh Earth
- Zion's own Beeline Trolley



## The Zion Market Experience

The usually empty block is alive with vendors and potential customers. The scene before you reveals rows of canopies and colorful umbrellas covering tables piled high with fresh vegetables and fruit. Pickup trucks and vans are filled to the brim with the produce of many hours labor. Merchants bustle about displaying their wares for the business of the day. Herbs, flowers and vegetables, still holding the scent of moist earth entice your senses. The voices of the vendors echo as they exchange greetings with shoppers who wander along the sidewalks. Your spirit is aglow with the warmth and excitement of this Thursday adventure. Shopping has never been so difficult, with every seller smiling and offering free samples or demonstrations.

Mingled among the produce are tables arrayed with breads, pies, and cookies; seasonal crafts, handmade apparel and accessories; jams and salsas; and even homemade pet treats.

The aroma of fresh-brewed coffee convinces you to sit and sip for a while as you take in the view. There are smiles everywhere, accompanied by a chorus of conversations from passing shoppers. Nearby the Library is signing up new members while a local business mans the chamber of Commerce booth. Just beyond the canopies, children are jumping in the bounce house or waiting their turns to receive a whimsical creation from the balloon artist. Excited youngsters queue up for the face painter to transform their appearance. You realize that this is more than a shopping space—it is a weekly community celebration.

After two trips through the Market, your bag is overflowing with treasures. You make your way across the busy parkway. Anticipation of the succulent dinner at hand, along with the weight of your baggage compels you to return to your vehicle, where you unload your bounty. Your thoughts travel to evening, when the newly pur-



Reggie Veggie is always around



A great spot for shopping & dining



Fresh from the fields

local produce



Local growers and



Family fun in the KidZone!

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