

ZION NEWS

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The Ministers of Zion: Every member of the congregation

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From the Pastor's Keyboard:

Do you know that, regardless of the season of the Church Year, every Sunday is considered a "Little Easter"? Each Sunday is an opportunity to give thanks for the freedom from fear of the consequences of human sin and death provided through the Son of God who gave his life for us. Each Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate the eternal life we have been promised through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Each Sunday is an opportunity to be in the presence of the risen Lord and receive him into our lives through the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Each Sunday is a celebration of the joy, life and community we have been given now through our faith in Jesus Christ. As the psalmist sang, "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

During the summer months, we will be celebrating these "Little Easters" with special Sunday themes and activities between the two worship services. A schedule of these specially-themed Sundays is included in this newsletter. Be sure to mark your personal calendars so that you will be prepared to enjoy these special celebrations with your community in Christ. Here's an idea: why don't you invite a neighbor or friend to join you on one or more of these Sundays?

I fully believe that Jesus enjoyed getting together with his friends, and, as during the wedding at Cana of Galilee (John 2:1-11), he was the true life of the party. My favorite depictions of Jesus are those where he is shown smiling as he talks with the children or laughing as he looks out over the Sea of Galilee. Our Lord would want us to be filled with joy when we

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Connecting with God; Connecting with others; Connecting others with God

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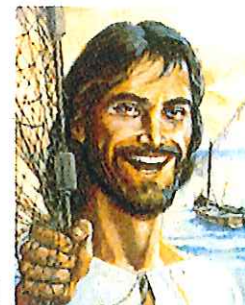
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♦ From the Pastor (Cont'd from pg. 1), Service Info., Evening In Turkey



come into his presence each Sunday to give him honor and praise. In the Gospel reading for one of the Sundays in May, Jesus says to his disciples, "I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete." (John 15:11)



Join us each week for "Little Easter" during the summer months. When you are on vacation, consider sending us a picture of how you celebrated the joy of "Little Easter" on a Sunday you are away. And, of course, don't forget to spread the joy of life in Jesus through your regular offerings to your community of faith and service at Zion when you are absent from us.

SLIGHT CHANGE OF ORDER IN SERVICE

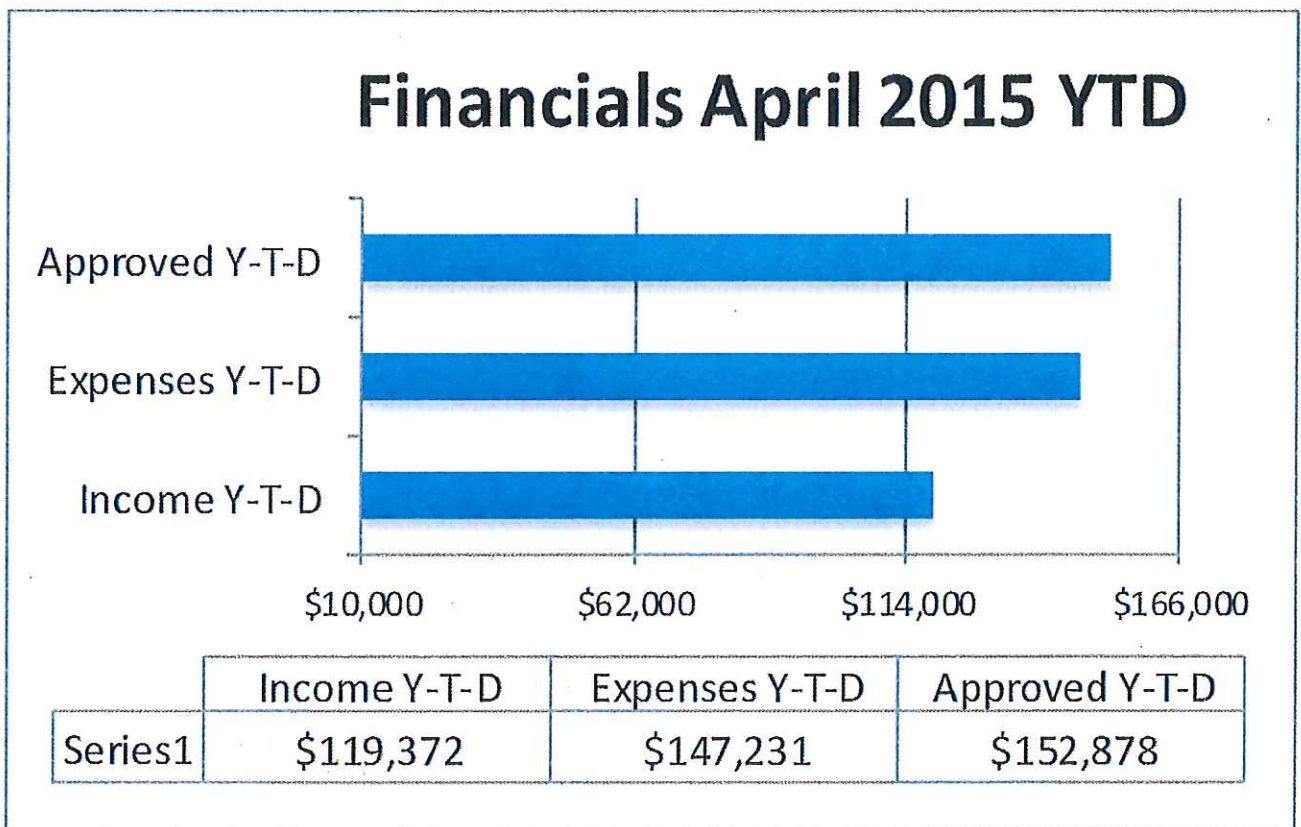
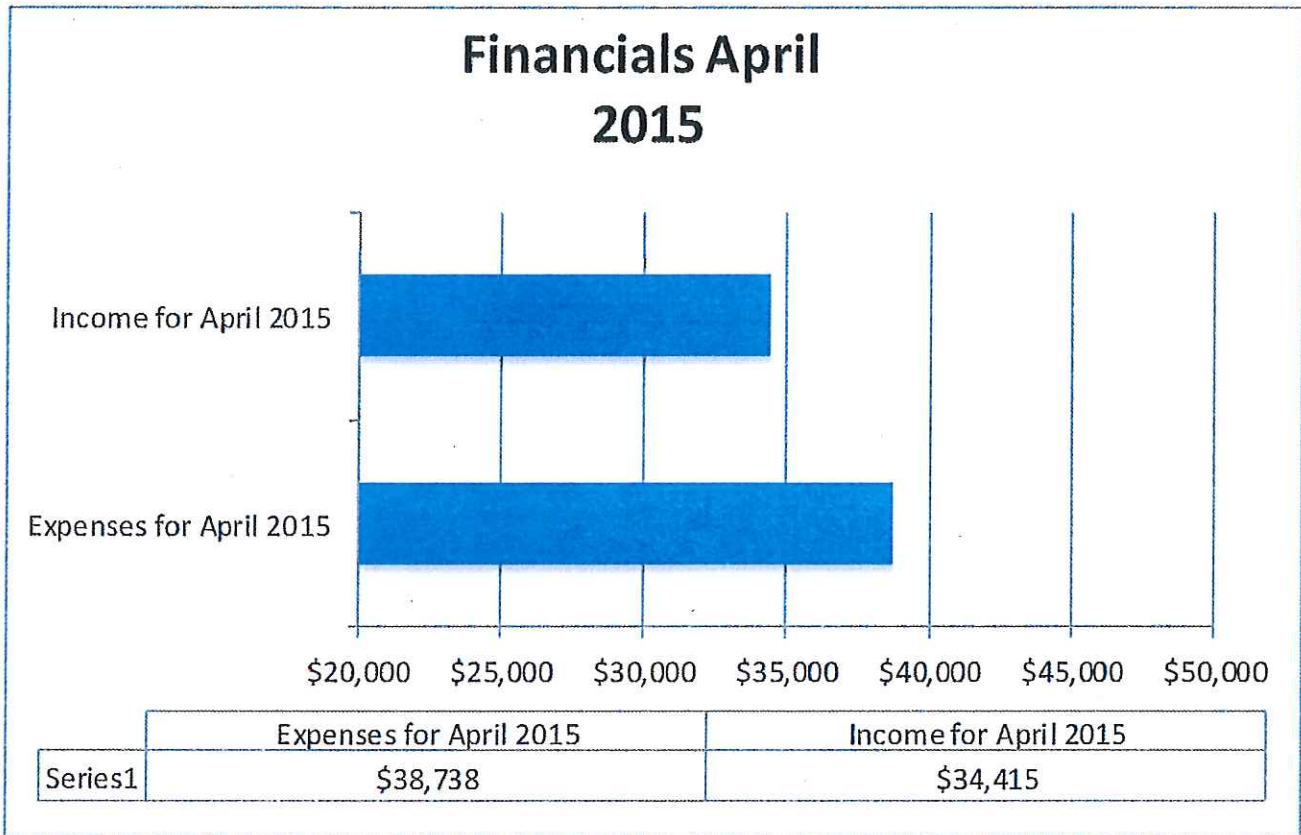
In the Spirit of change towards more effective communication, more meaningful and focused preparation for worship and smoother flow of our services, there will be a few differences in the orders for our services beginning May 31.

The most noticeable change will be in the placement of verbal announcements. There will no longer be a time of verbal announcements or shared joys and concerns at the beginning of the services. Video announcements will still be played before each service begins. Any verbal announcements, such as schedule changes or ministry updates, in addition to those shown in the videos may be made after the Post-Communion Prayer and before the Benediction. If your Ministry Team has an upcoming event or activity to announce, please keep your verbal notice short and to the point. Specifics about the event/activity should be provided through other means of congregation communications (bulletin board poster, monthly newsletter, weekly updates, webpage, Facebook, etc.). Send this information to Anne in the Church Office (zionluth@comcast.net) well in advance of the event, and she will get the word out. Use of the Prayer Request box in the Narthex, contact with the Prayer Team or Church Office, or writing a note that can be shared through our weekly updates, are the best means for prayer requests or sharing of personal information (e.g., joys and concerns) with your church community.

An Evening in Turkey, June 27, 5:30-7:00 PM

Join Pastor JMe on June 27th for a special evening of food and fellowship. Together, we'll take a virtual trip to places in Greece and Turkey where the first Christians witnessed, lived and served. Through photographs and commentary, Pastor JMe will share some of the highlights of her January Continuing Education trip that focused on the missions of St. Paul and First Century Christianity. A light meal will be provided before the presentation featuring samples the traditional cuisine of the Eastern Mediterranean and Turkey. To participate in "An Evening in Turkey," please sign up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board by the front doors or via www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0A44ADAF29AAF85-anevening

♦ Financial Figures (April)



♦ **Prayer Team** *Submitted by Dolly Overly*



Prayers for Healing

Call upon the Divine Physician for help healing your mind, body and spirit.

When you are facing emotional or physical pain, the Bible can help. Fill your mind with the healing power of God's Word. Read and reread these healing scriptures, allowing each to enter your body and spirit. Print them out or select one passage that speaks to your heart and turn to it several times a day, making sure to quiet your mind as you focus on God's restorative power.

Psalm 30:2

LORD my God, I called to You for help, and You healed me. (NIV)

Psalm 56:3

When I am afraid, I put my trust in You. (NIV)

Psalm 107:20

He sends forth His word and heals them and rescues them from the pit and destruction. (NIV)

Exodus 23:25

Worship the LORD your God, and His blessing will be on your food and water. I will take away sickness from among you. (NIV)

Psalm 103:3

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. (NIV)

Psalm 107:20

He sent out His word and healed them, snatching them from the door of death. (NLT)

Jeremiah 30:17

But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds, declares the LORD...(NIV)

Matthew 4:23

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. (NIV)

Matthew 10:8

Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. (NIV)

Matthew 14:14

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them and healed their sick. (NIV)

James 5:16

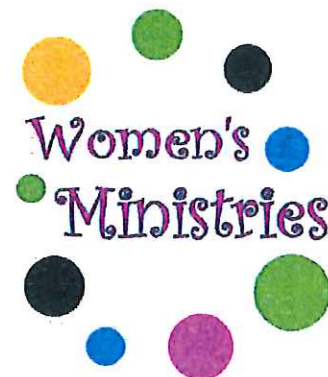
Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. (NIV)

Exodus 33:14

The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." (NIV)

♦ **Women of Zion** *submitted by Millie Gundel*

Yarn Ministry — Please continue to knit/crochet prayer squares, prayer shawls, children's hats and all of the other projects. The ZYM youth will take prayer squares to Detroit for sharing and trading in July. Our meetings will resume in the fall.



Blanket Ministry will meet Monday, June 1 at 9 AM in the Social Room. We will go to lunch afterward at Miss Calee's. This will be the last regularly scheduled meeting until the fall.

New project possibility: We're thinking about the possibility of making "Quiet Toys" for babies to be included in the gift bag at baptism. If you would be interested in knitting, crocheting or sewing a small toy, speak to Millie Gundel. This could be a book, doll, bear or other for the child to hold in church!

Upcoming event.....

Women's Retreat, Friday, Sept 11, One Night, at Camp Kirchenwald in the newly enlarged Schreiber Haus lodge. Camp Kirchenwald is near Mt. Gretna in Lebanon County. Watch for more information in the July/August newsletter and a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Diapering Detroit

In Detroit, there are many families unable to afford diapers. The Women of the ELCA is joining with the Youth Gathering in Detroit to "Diaper Detroit!" The youth are encouraged to bring diapers, or money to purchase them, to the event in July. The greatest need is for children's sizes 3 and 4, but all sizes will be appreciated, including incontinence supplies for adults. Wipes are also needed.

You can participate by

- Writing a check (be sure to put on the memo line: *Diaper Detroit ZYM*) for the youth to purchase diapers once they get to Detroit.. You can either take it (or mail it) to the church office or put it in the offering plate. OR...
- Bringing diapers into Zion on Diaper Collection Sunday....July 12

GRADUATION SUNDAY

June 7

We will celebrate all graduates in worship on the 7th. We have 6 high school graduates from ZYM this year! Congratulations to Cameron Thompson, Duncan Brady, Alec Martin, Tyler Gunzenhauser, Andrew Sherwood, and Brian Sherwood!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

May 17

This year we confirmed Christian Benedict, Elisabeth Chapman, Catharine Donell, Ian Flood, and Quinn Klepper! Make sure you congratulate them if you have not already.

YOUTH GATHERING

July 13-19

We have 11 youth and 5 adults going to the Youth Gathering this summer in Detroit, MI. Keep them in your prayers for a safe and spirited time.

BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY

August 23

At 5pm we will have a back to school cookout and pool party. Location is TBD.

ICE CREAM & MINI-GOLF

June 28

We will meet at Scoop's Ice Cream in Mountville for a night of mini-golf at Boulder's Mini Golf and Turkey Hill Ice Cream from Scoop's Ice Cream & Grille. We will meet at 6 PM. The cost for mini-golf is \$6.50. Please let Chris know if you need a ride.

**UPCOMING ZYM MEETINGS,
EVENTS, & ACTIVITIES**

JUNE

- 7 Graduation Sunday
ZYM @ 6 PM
- 14-18 VBS
- 20 Lanc. Barnstormers Game
@ 7 PM (Faith & Farming
Theme)
- 21 Youth Gathering Meeting @
12 Noon
ZYM @ 6 PM
- 28 Ice Cream & Mini-Golf @
Scoops @ 6 PM

JULY 2015

- 5 ZYM @ 6 PM
- 13-19 ELCA Youth Gathering
Detroit, MI
- 26 ZYM @ 6 PM

AUGUST 2015

- 1-2 Summer Beach Retreat
- 9 Youth Gathering Sunday
ZYM @ 6 PM
- 23 Youth-Led Services
Back to School Pool Party
@ 5 PM





KIDS CLUB

GAMES • BIBLE • CRAFTS • MUSIC • SNACKS



Children in Pre K - 5th grade are invited to join Zion Lutheran in Landisville to learn about hunger issues in our local communities. They will hear stories of those who are hungry, tend to their own gardens, see what local organizations provide (including the Hempfield Area Food Pantry), donate food that they grow to local organizations, and much, much more!

EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

JUNE 24, 2015 - AUGUST 19, 2015

Dinner @ 5:30pm

6:00pm - 7:00pm

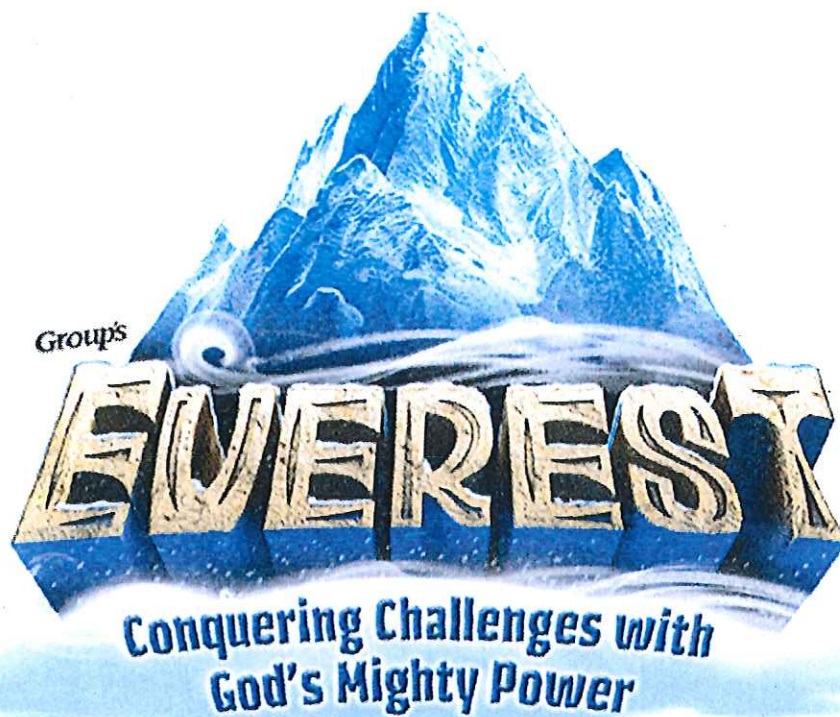


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If Interested: Please send your name, phone number, and a short amount of information about you and your children to chrisreinford@comcast.net.

For More Info: Visit www.zionhempfield.net or Call (717) 898-2911



2015 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Embark on an icy expedition where kids overcome obstacles with God's awesome power. Anchor kids in rock-solid Bible truths that will guide them through life's challenges. Your children will play games, sing great songs, create awesome crafts, and enjoy tasty snacks. It starts Sunday night at 6:00pm. The VBS week will end with a final celebration and Ice Cream Social starting at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary!

Register at: www.groupubspro.com/ubs/ez/zionhempfield

Chris Reinford, Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Director
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JUNE 14 - 18, 2015
SUNDAY-THURSDAY

♦ Stephen Ministry Submitted by Mary Gryzbowski

Receptivity to Care

Most people are much more open to giving care than to receiving it. When a person is giving care, he or she is in a position of strength, stability, and authority. When a person is receiving care, he or she is acknowledging weakness, insecurity, and vulnerability.

As a result, there are countless people today who, though they really could benefit from a Christian friend who would listen and care for them, tough it out on their own. They remain the strong & silent type, or wear a smile across a face that is holding back a flood of tears. Society encourages this (particularly for men). To ask for help is to admit weakness. To show weakness is to admit inferiority.

But God did not create us to be independent. We were created to be *interdependent*. God's Word is clear on this all the way back to Genesis: "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him" (Genesis 2:18). The New Testament underscores this theme with more than 50 verses that contain the words "one another." These verses include admonitions such as "love one another," "encourage one another," "build up one another," and "pray for one another."

What these verses don't say is that we alone are to love, encourage, build up, and pray for other people. The "one another" wording gives them a reciprocal meaning. It also tells us that we are to allow other people to love, encourage, build up, and pray for us!

It is most difficult for people to ask for help. Whether it is because of guilt, shame, inadequacy, or fear of rejection, many would

much prefer to suffer alone than ask for help.

But suffering alone is not God's intent for us. Jesus promises,

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). We can receive this promised rest when we turn to one another for comfort and help.

Our Stephen Ministers know all about receiving care. Many of them have been on the receiving end of care at an earlier point in their lives—something that has motivated them to give care now. They know how difficult it is to ask for help, but they also know the great personal and spiritual growth and healing that follows. They know how to respond in a loving, caring, and nonjudgmental manner. They are equipped, ready, and waiting to provide the comfort and care that which God very much desires you to have.

If you find yourself -- now or in the future -- facing difficulties in life, don't succumb to society's norm of remaining strong and suffering alone. Take the courageous step of seeking help. Open your heart to receiving God's love and grace through another person. Our Stephen Ministry offers the opportunity for a very confidential relationship with someone who will listen to you and provide you with the care and encouragement you need while Christ works inside to bring rest to your weary, burdened heart.

For more information on Stephen Ministry, please contact Judy Traup, Nancy Price, Angela Alessio-Sieglitz, Rich Sieglitz, or Pastor JMe.



♦ Nursery School, FAM, Music & Worship

Zion Nursery School Update *submitted by Mary Hetrick*

The current school year for our 3 year old class was completed with a graduation program on May 13th. Many of these students will be returning in the fall for the 3 day class held Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Registration continues for this class, so please tell any of your family, friends and neighbors who might be interested. Please direct anyone who may be interested to call the church office over the summer. We are looking forward to a great final year for our school!

A NEW GROUP AT ZION: FAM *submitted by Jean Pretz*

A new group has formed at Zion! We call ourselves the FAM club. Not a fan club, but a FAM club. We are a group of Zion families who have preschool and elementary age children. We get together while our kids are at Zion's Kids Club on Wednesday nights, and we gather as families once a month after late church for food and fellowship. When all of our families get together, you can imagine that it's a wild and crazy time, and we wouldn't have it any other way. Life with young children is busy, and it is easy to lose focus. In FAM club, we are building relationships with one another to provide mutual support as we aim to raise faithful children in God's family here at Zion. If you have small children, we hope you will join us for FAM club activities. For more information, contact Aarin Deibler, Pam Gunzenhauser, Deb Overly, or Jean Pretz, and stay tuned to Zion's newsletter for summer gatherings. Our "next big thing" is VBS June 14-18 – bring your kids and see you there!

TAIZE: PRAYER THROUGH MUSIC *submitted by Dennis Dezort*

Nothing fosters a communion with God more than a meditative prayer with others, with candlelight and singing that goes on and on and that continues afterwards in the silence of one's heart. To glimpse the universal dimension of this communion, all members of our congregation should come together, from children to elderly persons, and join in prayer.

This is the essence of Taize prayer. We will have the opportunity to experience Taize some evening this summer. We will announce the date and time. It is a simple prayer, and all can participate in silence, song or reading a text, when and as you choose.

The prayer should overlap with sunset so the candlelight becomes effective.

♦ Bible Studies, Summer Sunday Themes

Summer Wednesday Adult Bible Studies

The Wednesday morning Adult Bible Study continues a study of the Gospel of Mark during the month of June. We meet 9:30- 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor. There are Learner Books available from Pastor JMe. You are welcome to join us!

In July, we will begin a new, 6-week study of "The Churches of Revelation." There will be both morning and evening offerings of this adult bible study. The morning study will be held at 9:30-10:30 a.m., July 1-August 12. The evening study will begin on July 8 and end on August 19. The evening study will be held in conjunction with the Kids' Club; therefore, a light meal will be available from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in the Social Room, before the study begins in the Parlor. There will be no meetings on July 15 because Pastor JMe will be attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Detroit that week.

If you would like to participate in either of these studies, please inform Pastor JMe. There will also be a sign up available for the Wednesday evening meal and study group on the Christian Formation bulletin board and online through www.SignUpGenius.com. Online signup will be available by June 15.

SUNDAY THEMES - Summer 2015

June 7: Graduate Recognition

June 14: VBS Commissioning & Kick-Off

June 21: Blessing of Fathers; Sacrament of Baptism (Juliette Moore) at 10:30 AM service

June 28: Stephen Ministry Commissioning (Linda Bear)

July 5: Red-White-Blue Sunday (wear patriotic colors to worship)

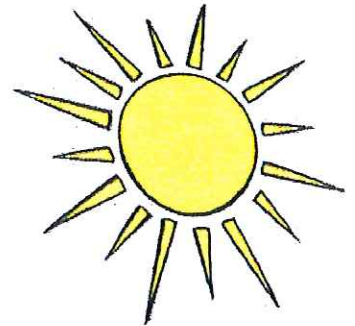
July 12: ELCA Youth Gathering/Detroit Group Sending Service; Blessing of Diapers & Prayer Squares for Detroit

July 26: Christmas in July (wear red & green). Intergenerational Christmas Activities during the Sunday School hour.

August 9: Beach Sunday (wear your favorite flip flops and sunglasses, bring a colorful beach towel)

August 23: Back to School Blessing of Teachers, Students, & Backpacks

September 13: Rally Day; ONE SERVICE @ 9:30 AM. Sunday School Intro./Ministry Displays. Picnic & activities for all ages following the service.



♦ Within The Wider Church

COMMUNITY MEAL *submitted by Joanne Grim*

Because the kitchen gets so hot in the summer months, the Community Meal will not be serving in July and August. The folks who come for the meal have been made aware of this and understand the situation. The meal will resume on September 3rd with Cathy Benedict's family serving. Approximately 75 people come each week to the meal, arriving between 4 and 4:30 to socialize. This ministry is more than a meal; the people are nourished by the food they eat as well as by the fellowship they share with others who come; they are thankful for the food and the friendships. This outreach program is truly a blessing to the community and to those groups and people who help make it possible by preparing and serving each week. Thank you to all who help!

LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION EVENTS COMING UP...

June 12: Annual Golf Tournament at Honey Run Golf Club *
June 14: Summer Camp begins at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa
July 5 - 11: Elder Camp at Nawakwa
July 12 - 18: Family Camp 1 at Nawakwa
August 2 - 8: Family Camp 2 at Nawakwa
August 2 - 8: Family Camp -K-tion (Family Camp at Kirchenwald)



**See flyer on the following page*

LANDISVILLE HOUSE FOR RENT

Lindsey Frye and Chris Fretz, whose daughter went to Zion Nursery School this year, have accepted a term of voluntary service as missionaries, and are renting out their house for the next three years. It is a 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom ranch house on a quiet street in Landisville, between Amos Herr Park and the Landisville Pool. It has central air, natural gas heating, and hardwood floors. There is also a garage and basement. They are asking \$950/month, which includes water, trash, and sewer.

16th ANNUAL

Lutheran Camping Corporation
of Central Pennsylvania
Golfing Fore Camperships

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, June 12, 2015 at Honey Run Golf Course, York, PA



1:30pm Shotgun Start

\$90 per golfer

\$360 per foursome

\$25 non-golfer, silent
auction & dinner only

Enjoy golf, dinner, a
silent auction, and
fellowship.

Proceeds benefit the
Campership Fund.

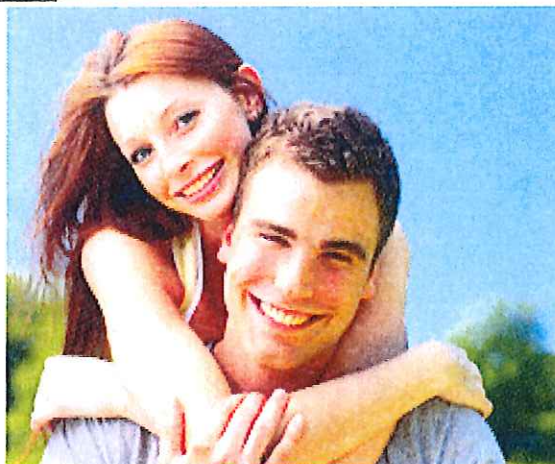
Download a registration
form or register online at
LutheranCamping.org.

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER FALL WEEKEND

ATTENTION LOWER SUSQUEHANNA AREA MARRIED COUPLES: BY POPULAR DEMAND, A LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND COMING TO LANCASTER FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS FALL.

Weekends are designed to rekindle the romance and realize the full potential of your marriage with all the joy and beauty that God intends. The Lancaster Weekend is set for **October 16-18, 2015** at the all newly-remodeled Heritage Hotel Lancaster, home of the unique treehouse-inspired restaurant, "Loxley's." Weekends run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday around 4 PM. Currently, the registration fee is \$45 per couple; however, starting September 1, the registration fee will be going up to \$100 per couple, so register now to qualify for the lower registration fee. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program.

In case these dates don't work for you, registrations are also being taken for the September 18-20, 2015 at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA, a hotel-style facility in the Poconos. **Registrations are limited**, so sign up today to ensure the Weekend of your choice! Simply go to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and sign up paying the \$45 registration with your credit card, or mark the option to mail a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or email: fjschamber@comcast.net.



♦ Christ Lutheran Meal Submitted by Linda Bear

Greatness Through Service . . . *whoever desires to be great among you must be your servant. And whoever wishes to be most important and first in rank among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to have service rendered to Him but to serve.* (Mark 10:43-45)

We are grateful for and appreciative of all the great volunteers who have continued to make Zion's Christ Lutheran Meal Ministry possible! It is with sadness that it was decided at the Christ Lutheran Meal Meeting recently that this ministry is coming to an end. The last meal to be served at Christ Lutheran will be on August 20th, making ***Zion's final meal at Christ Lutheran on July 9th.***

All the hard work begins days before the meal is scheduled. On the day of the meal, different groups of God's servants work from early in the morning until about 8 PM in the evening until everything is cleaned, returned, and put away. We are thankful for the help provided by our brothers and sisters in Christ from Bright Side Baptist Church in Lancaster who have partnered with Zion to give of their time and talents by serving food and drinks and assisting with clean-up. (*Think brooms, mops, buckets, cleaning cloths, sanitizer and muscle power!*)

The majority of our volunteers have helped out at all six meals throughout the year. Of course, all of the people who have helped out and filled in sporadically have been appreciated wholeheartedly as well.

If you are able to help out on July 9th with any part of the meal preparation, serving, or cleaning-up, please contact Linda Bear or Connie Alsedek.

- ♦ **Day Jobs:** Pick-up and deliver groceries to Zion, food prep and cooking, set-up, food delivery to Christ Lutheran
- ♦ **Late Afternoon/Early Evening Jobs:** Host/hostess, servers, clean-up, supplies returned to Zion.

While the meal will not continue at Christ Lutheran, it will continue at the other churches in the city. This has been a special ministry in the life of Zion with Christ Lutheran; now the door is open to new and different possibilities & opportunities of service.



♦ Food Pantry *Submitted by Diane Gerlach*

In April, the pantry served 195 families which included 279 children, 390 adults, and 87 seniors for a total of 756 people served. **We registered 11 new families.**



During the month of April, Zion members donated **262 pounds of food** to the pantry. Thank you Zion members for your continued support through the donation of food items and financial contributions. Your financial contributions are used to purchase food items on sale at various grocery stores and the Central Penn Food Bank.

During the month of April....Darrenkamps of Mount Joy donated 1,747 pounds of fresh produce to the pantry; **Target in Lititz** donated 1,193 pounds of fresh produce and bakery items; **Weis Markets in Columbia** donated 1,199 pounds of bread and bakery items. **Weis Stony Battery Road** donated 147 pounds of bread and bakery items. **Other food donated through food drives, individual churches, and private donations** totaled 8,807 pounds of food. In addition, the pantry **purchased 1,140 pounds** of food items to maintain the supplies on our shelves.

We continue to be blessed with **many volunteers from the Hempfield area and our Hempfield community churches who give their time to the pantry** each Monday and Wednesday as well as additional time as needed. Seventy three volunteers gave 678 hours for the month of April.

YOU are welcome **visit the community pantry located here at Zion on our "open" days to witness God's hands, heart, and love in action! Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.** Jelly, peanut butter, 15 oz. canned fruit, and cereal continue to be some of the "main" items the pantry can always use!!!

Together we will feed the hungry!



♦ About Brenda Alimo, Zion's Child Fund Sponsoree



Through your help I now enjoy
milk. Thanks for the support.
May God bless you.
-Brenda

ChildFund
Alliance

I am now 12 Years old.

My favorite fruit is Jackfruit

My hobbies are: Playing ball games

My most beautiful day in the year was

Christmas day

My Education

This year I am in grade four Class.

My favorite subject is English

and I'm making progress in Science Subject.

My best friend is Ijomare Grace

My Health

I have had my health check-up. Yes ☒ No ☐

I am 152 centimeters tall and weigh 33 Kg.

My Home

I live with my Mother

Things I do at home

Cooking, fetching water,
Baby sitting

Our Participation

This year we benefitted from these programs
provided by ChildFund through its local partners.

Scholastic materials,
Child protection training
and awareness

My Dreams for the future

To become A nurse

♦ Notes & Congratulations

NOTES TO ZION. –

♦ **From Dave Dumeyer**

Donna & I want to thank all of you who expressed your support, sympathy, and condolences on the passing of my father. It is at times like this that we are blessed to be part of a faith community, a church family. My dad was a lifelong Lutheran Christian. He struggled in the last year of his life with cancer, but I am certain that he is with our Lord and Savior in His heavenly home. May we all live with that assurance of our Father's love. Again, my thanks. And blessings to you all.

♦ **From Al & Connie Alsedek**

Al and I want to thank you so much for your calls, cards, and most especially for your prayers during my recent surgeries. Your cards of comfort and sympathy meant so much to both of us as we also went through the loss of Al's brother Dick. We feel so blessed to be a part of such a long, caring community.

♦ **From Weidler Grube**

I would like to thank the church members and friends who sent me cards and other encouragement during my recovery from heart surgery. It makes the slow process lighter and more bearable. Thank you all.

♦ **From Dave Wise**

Dave and his sister, Diane Huber, would like to thank the prayer team and all who included her in their prayers after she suffered a stroke in April. The Lord heard their petitions and in His love responded with grace, mercy and healing.

.CONGRATULATIONS...

♦ ...to **Katie Donell, Christian Benedict, Elisabeth Chapman, Ian Flood, & Quinn Klepper** on their confirmation on May 17th!

♦ ...to the high school, college, and graduate school graduates this year!

Sara Bernhard: Doctorate in Audiology from Towson University (Towson, MD)

Duncan Brady: Hempfield High School; will be attending Temple University, majoring in film and TV productions.

Dylan Gromen: Millersville University; is planning to begin his career in Sweden where he has accepted a job teaching science at a charter school. He'll be working with students in grades 4 – 8.

Tyler Gunzenhauser: Hempfield High School; will be attending George Mason University Honors College (Virginia), majoring in music

Madelyn Hinkle: Hempfield High School; will be attending Messiah College

Alec Martin: Hempfield High School; will be attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Hannah Pipkin: Bachelor of Fine Arts from Kutztown University

Andrew Sherwood: Hempfield High School; will be attending Temple University, majoring in engineering and actuarial science.

Brian Sherwood: Hempfield High School; will be attending Penn State University (University Park), majoring in electrical engineering.

Cameron Thompson: Hempfield High School; will be attending Gettysburg College, majoring in biochemistry & molecular biology.

♦ June Celebrations



3	Wayne Dearolf	9	Ashley Huber	19	Sarah Styer
3	June Duke	9	Earl Mays	20	Dawn Reinhart
4	Josh Deibler	9	Dorothy Wauls	20	Julie Rhoads
5	Mitch Gunzenhauser	10	Mary Gryzbowski	23	Jim Bear
5	Ryan Stitzel	10	Tim Smeltz	23	Katie Hetrick
6	Abram Barley	11	Tom Gryzbowski	24	Don Gunzenhauser
6	Scott Smeltz	11	Chad Gunzenhauser	27	Cory Paternoster
7	Cheryl Callahan	12	Marie Adams	27	Jeff Rickert
7	Max Gunzenhauser	12	Kensie Barr	29	Isaac Rhoads
7	Angela Sieglitz	12	Matthew Propst	30	Sue Rhoads
8	Danielle Myers	12	Mark Rosen		
9	Richard Dyer	12	Brandon Spayd		
		14	Michael Jarvie		
		14	Cathy Shirk		
		17	Jerry Huber		
		17	Donna Pfautz		
		18	Amy Miller		
		19	Aarin Deibler		
		19	Shawn King		



HAPPY BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAY!

1	Delaney Klepper	9	Troy Milholin	17	Aiden Seyfried
1	Dolly Overly	10	Sara Bernhard	19	Rachael Grube
3	Carl Metzinger	11	Lisa Bernhard	23	Evan Benedict
6	Angela Sieglitz	11	Lucy Davis	24	Jennifer Karpouzis
7	Joanne Grim	12	Arlie Reeves	24	Jason Traup
7	Jennifer Pipkin	12	Janet Reeves	25	Melissa McCloskey
9	Helen Auchey	13	Gabrielle Contino	28	Ed Blough
		14	Floyd Jury	28	Miriam Janisewski
		15	Andrew Sherwood	28	Stephanie Stitzel
		15	Brian Sherwood	29	Jean Pretz

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

3	John & Kathleen Hay (43rd)	20	Don & Laura Wierschke (45th)
7	Bruce & Diane Gerlach (46th)	21	Jason & Monica Traup (23rd)
10	Todd & Suzanne Reed (15th)	22	Darrell & Barb Gerke (47th)
11	Floyd & Patricia Weidler (66th)	23	Ron & Kay Crawford (53rd)
12	James & Rose Yeager (67th)	23	Jere & Deb Grube (25th)
15	Al & Connie Alsedek (19th)	23	Dick & Marilyn Heim (54th)
15	Rick & Deb Long (30th)	26	Zachary & Kara Barr (8th)
16	Pat & Judy Brady (31st)	27	Harry & Janet Musselman (56th)
20	Phil & Pam Houseal (34th)	28	Jesse & Pat Landis (35th)
		30	Justin & Stephanie Golihew



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July/Aug Newsletter Deadline: June 15

Sunday Services: 8:00 AM (Traditional) & 10:30 AM (Contemporary)

Children's Sunday School will resume **September 13**

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