

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

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WeeklE-Newsletter: August 26 THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, August 28

- * The flowers are sponsored by Randy Miller in honor of his family.
- * The bulletins are sponsored by the Thompsons in recognition of all teachers, students, and others working in schools as a new school year begins.
- * The communion elements are sponsored by Bob & Judy Traup in honor of their church family.

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Livestream/Recorded Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Thrivent Action Presentation – 10:30 a.m.

No Adult Sunday School (Attend the Thrivent Action presentation)

Monday, August 29

Food Pantry -10 a.m. -1 p.m.

Tuesday, August 30

Bible Study -9 - 10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

Wednesday, August 31

Food Pantry -10 a.m. -1 p.m.

Thursday, September 1

Friday, September 2

Saturday, September 3

Sunday, September 4 – Outdoor Worship

In-Person Outdoor Worship – 9:00 a.m. No Livestream/Recorded Worship No Adult Sunday School

ANNOUNCEMENTS, GOD-SIGHTINGS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

ACTION THRIVENT TEAMS



Ann Seitz-Brown will be sharing information on Thrivent Action Teams <u>THIS SUNDAY</u> during and after worship. Action Teams are a great way to make a positive impact at Zion and in the community. In brief, here's how it works: Simply gather a team of 2 or more for a fundraiser, educational event or service activity. Thrivent offers all the

resources you need to get started, including up to \$250 in seed money.

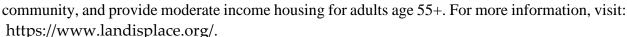
After worship, Ann will guide Zion's members and Teams in brainstorming ideas that could be funded by Action Teams. She will also share how to apply for funding. This might be a chance for us to use some resources and work toward a goal that we might be passionate about.

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor

There will be no class on Sunday due to the Thrivent Action Presentation and on September 4 due to the service being held outdoors. On September 11, the class will begin a study focusing on the book of Romans.

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING

This Sunday is the final day to give to the Joyful Noise Offering for Landis Place on King, a 55+ community in the heart of the city. Landis Place will create abundant choices, foster increased





Beginning next Sunday, September 4, the Joyful Noise offering will go to COBYS Family Services. COBYS provides foster care, adoption, counseling, family life education, and permanency services for children and families at risk in Lancaster County and surrounding areas. For more information, visit: https://cobys.org/

PICNIC IN THE PARK – September 29

The final Picnic in the Park this season will be on Thursday, September 29 at 11:30 at the Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion. All are welcome to come for this time of food and fellowship!

FLOWER & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP OPEN DATES

Please consider signing up to sponsor the flowers or bulletins! In September, the 11^{th} and 18^{th} are open for flowers and the 18^{th} is open for bulletins. There are additional dates throughout the fall that are also open. Check out the sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Cost is \$40.

REVITALIZATION UPDATE FROM DAVE WISE

- "Come and see (what God has done, his awesome deeds for mankind!)" [Psalm 66:5 NIV]
- "'Come and see,'" [John 1:39a NLT] (Jesus to John the Baptist's disciples)
- "'Come and see,' said Philip". [John 1:46b RSV] (Philip to Nathanael)
- "'Come and see....." [John 4:29a NLT] (Samaritan woman to her neighbors)

While this verse from Psalms and these three scriptures from the Gospel of John are taken out of context, they all share the same common theme: "Come and see", which is an invitation, as in Psalm 66, an invitation to come and witness all the wonderful things God has done.... and is still doing. Or in John 1:39, where Jesus is extending an invitation to follow him. Or in John 1:46 and 4:29 where those who have encountered Jesus invite others to come and see His works, hear His word and experience His love.



In his temple talk last month, Al Ramer reminded us that a second goal of the ReVITALization initiative was to reach out to members who have decreased or discontinued their attendance. In addition, part of the initiative was to reach out to those who have not yet returned for worship and/or fellowship. We have also been encouraged to invite neighbors, friends, strangers, and those who are lost (or not sure *what* they are looking for) to join us. *Let's achieve that goal by extending the invitation*. Reach out to these folks by saying, "Come and see!" - come and see what's happening at Zion

in worship, in music, in Bible study, in outreach, in fellowship among its body of believers...and in many other ways. *Come and see!*

PERSONAL CARE KITS UPDATE

We are now up to 58 kits!!! Thanks to each of you who have donated supplies for the kits. Following Sunday's informational session on Thrivent Action Teams (in the Zone after worship), you will have an opportunity to assemble the Personal Care Kits. It is easy and fun!





TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to come to the Tuesday morning Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. The study will follow the lectionary readings in preparation for the upcoming Sunday's lessons. Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

ZION & THRIVENT T-SHIRTS

Do you want a new t-shirt? Check out the display on the table across from the coffee table. There are several sizes and styles



SIGN UP FOR A 1-on-1 WITH PASTOR TIM

Thank you to all those who have signed up for - or have had - their 1-on-1 visit with Pastor Tim. If you have not yet, sign-ups are available on Sunday mornings. If you aren't able to sign up on Sunday, you can contact him at zion1517pastor@gmail.com or 717-332-4216.

PEOPLE OF PEACE

Pastor Tim is looking for you to nominate "people of peace" in the community! Please give him names of people for him to visit in the community.

BELOVED PEOPLE OF GOD

The world is looking for faith communities who will see each person as a beloved person of God. Pastor Tim still has a few copies of the short, beautiful book, "Beloved," by Henri Nouwen available to Zion members. What might it look like for Zion to be a congregation that names everyone they meet as beloved? You are encouraged to see Pastor Tim for a copy of the book!



Mark your calendars for Rally Day 2022 on Sunday, September 18! Stay tuned for more information about what is being planned for this special day to kick-off a new program year for Zion!



The Thursday Community Meals will resume on September 8! Like last year, the meal will continue to be held in a drive-thru format, beginning at 5:30 p.m. If you have questions or would be interested in helping out, contact Mary Hetrick (717-898-3162 or (psuocn92@comcast.net).

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

The September/October/November devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table. Help yourself...take one for a friend!

FINAL SUMMER CONCERT AT THE TABERNACLE

> <u>THIS SUNDAY</u>: August 28 – Concert at 7 p.m.

 ${\it QuintEssentially Brass} - {\rm A}$ quintet with engaging personalities and sparkling instrumental performances.

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TRANSPORTATION



If you are in need of transportation to medical appointments or to any of our services, please contact Judy Traup (traup201@comcast.net or 717-898-0625).

MONTHLY MESSAGE FROM ADELE KING, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

As a part of our Covenant for Renewal, a brief monthly report from leadership will be provided. The various ministry teams have been busy during these summer months.

- <u>The Personnel Team</u> has been hearing performance updates on our employees. Lynda Sherwood has taken over the leadership role on this team from Sue Wise; Sue will remain on this team.
- The Property Team had their hands full with storm clean-up and getting the playground equipment taken away. Many thanks to those who helped make the back corner of the church look so much better! Brick pointing on the original church and in the bell tower is finally going to begin.
- The ReVITALization Team is still accepting hearts to thank people for their acts of service.
- The Worship and Music Team would like to announce two upcoming concerts: the Liederkranz Holiday Concert on December 3rd and the Hempfield Choir on December 18th. We continue to look at ways to make worship be "back to normal" as our pandemic procedures ease. Choir rehearsals begin again on September 8th!
- <u>The Care/Fellowship Team</u> is busy making kits, praying, picnicking, knitting and transporting. They want you to know that medical equipment is available for use by members and that you can call the office if you have a need. In addition, they are setting up events for our Rally Day on Sept. 18.
- The Social Outreach Team continues to collect money for worthwhile organizations and is looking forward to participating in the Crop Walk again in October.
- The Finance Team has decided to outsource our payroll processing.
- <u>The Executive Team</u>, with the help of the Council Secretary and Parish Administrator, will work on updating the Constitution and Bylaws.
- We are all joyous about having our new pastor!!



NEXT SUNDAY (September 4) is the final summer outdoor service this season. Worship outdoors has been a really wonderful opportunity for folks to not only be fed spiritually through the Word and music, but also through the fellowship with others while surrounded by God's beauty. There will be chairs available for those who are unable to bring their own. Hope to see you at 9:00 next week!

BIRTHDAY CARD FOR BRENDA ALIMO

Please stop by the Narthex and sign your first name on the birthday card for Brenda Alimo. Brenda will be 19 on September 30. She sends her love and prayers to us with each of her letters, so let's show her some love back! You may also include a brief message.



NOTES TO ZION

...From Brenda Alimo

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

I am so happy to take this special time to communicate to you. Thank so much for loving me and always supporting me. You have made me who I am today. I am attending one of the best schools in my district. I am currently at school.



My teachers are so supportive. I believe I will do well and pass my final examinations. My family is busy weeding crops like maize, millet, beans, and ground nuts. We hope to get a good harvest.

Thank you so much for the prayers you send to me. I also pray you are strong and have faith in the Lord. Even at school every Sunday and every evening we say the prayer as a group together with our teachers. Thank you so much for the love and care that you have shown me and my family. We love you so much. You have a special place in our hearts.

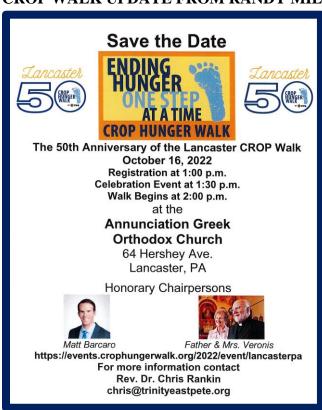
Send greetings to all your family members and tell them I love them so much.

All from Brenda Alimo, your sponsored child

...From the Hempfield Woman's Club

After 57 years, the Hempfield Woman's Club is dissolving. As one of our last contributions to the community, we would like to present a check in the amount of \$300 to your church. Thank you for all you do to help the Hempfield community.

CROP WALK UPDATE FROM RANDY MILLER



Zion is putting together a team to participate in the 2022 CROP Hunger Walk to support CWS and help families who are struggling with hunger. Please join us - with your steps and your donations - to provide more meals for the growing number of people in Lancaster County who need them, and create greater food security in communities around the world.

This year's walk will be held on October 16th. Please contact Randy (717-413-0433 or randymiller107@comcast.net) for details on how to sign up. Invite your friends and neighbors! We set a goal of raising \$250, but it would be wonderful if we could exceed that amount.



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Your Price to Attend?

Give us what you would pay for a dinner out at a nice restaurant, including tip ...at a really nice restaurant ...not fast food!



RSVP at LutheranCamping.org or 717-677-8211 by September 19

An Adult Study Retreat on the books

- I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness by Austin Channing Brown
- Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism by Drew G.I. Hart
- If you haven't been part of a conversation on racism, we recommend reading this first: Anxious to Talk About It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully About Racism by Carolyn B. Helsel
- If you're looking to dive deeper, we recommend: White Rage: The Unspoken Truth About our Racial Divide by Carol Anderson



October 4-6, 2022 At Nawakwa



Registration fee: \$155 Lodging and meals provided Please call 717-677-8211 or visit LutheranCamping.org to register by September 23

PRAYER LIST FOR HEALING

Deb Long

Connie Alsedek

Dolly Overly

Joe Adams

Mary Zimmerman

Doug Grow

Marvin Ruch

Kate Donnan

Barbara Williams

Don Heartter

Judie Ingersoll

Bill Grove

Kay Crawford

Holly Hoover

Sam King

Joan Mays

Chase Pipkin

Janet & Harry Musselman

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

Steve Baker (Friend of the congregation)

Bobbi (Friend of a member)

Meghan Frey (Friend of the congregation)

William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)

Family & Friends of Ken & Mary Reisig (Friend of the congregation)

Ashley LaFata & Mike Walker (Bill & Julia Grove's Granddaughter & Husband)

Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

Ernie Johnson (Friend of Barb Williams)

Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson

Lucy Davis

Betty Stoner

Arlene Miller

Deb McCartney

George Potts

Richard & Marilyn Heim

Jess, Matt, & Grant Barcaro

Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)

Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)

Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)

Dorothy Mattern (Mother of Denise Haun)

Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer

FOR PROTECTION

Evan Benedict

Christopher Wright

Chris Andrew

Thom Whitesel

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Justin Gorlaski

Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)

Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 29 Todd Benedict, Jason Myers
- 30 Katie Donell, Pam Searle, Lyla Swade
- 31 Savannah Reed
- 1 Jason Green, Charlotte Potts
- 3 Adele King, Kim Symonds, Laura Quinn
- 4 Alison Long

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- 1 Bob & Cathy Shirk
- 5 Todd & Cathy Benedict

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers Members of the Congregation Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown **Pastor** Music Director John Landis Parish Administrator Anne Rankin Worship Technology Assistant David Albin Lay Ministry Assistant Diane Gerlach Council President Adele King Council Vice President Dave Dumeyer Sextons Brian Bourassa (a.m.) Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFO.

In-Person Worship Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. Livestream & Recorded Link for services held indoors http://bit.ly/Zion_Live Sunday Scholars Class (Parlor) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (except 8/28, 9/4 & 9/18) Wired Word Class (Zone) Will Resume on September 25 at 10:30 a.m. Zoom Option Will Resume in October Church Office 717-898-2911 **Pastor** 717-332-4216 Parish Administrator 717-945-4585 Council President 610-247-1497 Office Email adminzelc@comcast.net Pastor Email zion1517pastor@gmail.com Council President Email adelel3@aol.com

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