ZION NEWS

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

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WHAT DOES FAITH FORMATION AT ZION LOOK LIKE?!?



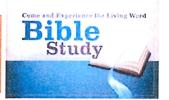












check out all the options...more info is on the following pages...be involved...

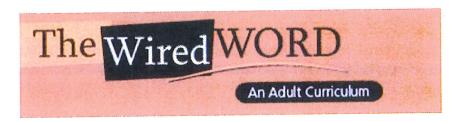
GET CONNECTED!

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Adult Sunday Classes



TIME: 9:15-10:15

LOCATION: SOCIAL ROOM

The Wired Word provides adult Sunday school lessons that confront the news with Scripture and hope as well as spark and inspire meaningful discussions. Join a multigenerational group of folks with inquiring minds who tackle together everyday life and faith issues that arise from current events.



WHEN: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH TIME: 9:15-10:15 AM LOCATION: Classroom beside the ZYM Room

THE PARENT CAFÉ provides a safe place to share the joys and challenges of parenting in today's world. Join us each month for stimulating conversation and delicious coffee or tea.

SUNDAY SCHOLARS CLASS

TIME: 9:15-10:15

LOCATION: PARLOR

Experience the historical background and meaning of the Old and New Testaments through video presentations by biblical scholars and lively discussions that relate what you learn to life in the here and now.



· ZYM

2018 ZYM Gift Card Sale! STARTING OCTOBER 1!

Please help support our youth attending the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. ...

by placing an order for gift cards as gifts or for personal use.

You won't spend any more money for a gift card than you would pay for the same products in stores. You can still bargain shop and use coupons, but ZYM will profit an average of 10% from your everyday shopping and gift-giving. Think beyond Christmas to birthday, wedding, and graduation gifts in the months ahead. There are no minimums! You can go online and order from dozens of venders!

YOUTH WILL BE AVAILABLE
BETWEEN AND FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICES WITH ORDER
FORMS AND ANSWERS TO YOUR
QUESTIONS!



Looking Ahead...

OCT 1: PA RENAISSANCE FAIRE

ZYM and the youth of St. Peter's Lutheran will explore all things medieval. (1 PM - 4:30ish)

OCT 15: ZYM NIGHT at ZION (6-8 PM)

NOV 5th and 19th: ZYM at ZION (6-8 PM)

DEC 1-3: ZYM FALL RETREAT AT KIRCHENWALD MAIN LODGE — Cost is \$10. BRING FRIENDS!!

DEC 17: ZYM SPECIAL ADVENT NIGHT (6-8 PM)



Kids' Club: Wednesday & Sunday

Join the fun on October 4 for Kids' Club Wednesday!

All kids preschool-elementary will have a blast!

Hot dogs for dinner at 5:30 for the families! Then, off to games, crafts and story! October's theme is all about the Reformation!

ALL NEW THEMES help to teach about God's love for us, how we are to love others and spreading the 'good news!"

Upcoming Dates This Fall

11/1 5:30-7PM 12/6 5:30-7PM









KIDS' CLUB SUNDAY UPDATE

Rotation workshops are here! NO MORE CLASS ROOMS!!

- Children K-6th grade will rotate through story, music, discovery, creativity and more!
 - * Every Sunday morning from 9:15-10:15
- Each month a new theme is offered and is catered for two separate age groups (younger elementary students and older elementary students). This month's theme is "The Reformation."



H2H, Bible Study

~H2H~

Our confirmation ministry has been updated and re-designed to better meet the needs of students and families!

Confirmation is for students entering 7th grade. Contact Pastor JMe for more information on how to be a part of Zion's Confirmation program.



~ADULT MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY~

"Together by Grace: Introducing the Lutherans" Begins October 11th!

Whether you are a life-long Lutheran or have little knowledge of the history and theology of this Protestant denomination, this class is for you! This 500th anniversary year of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation is the perfect time to renew, review or receive an understanding of what it means to be a member of the Lutheran church.

"Together by Grace" is a six-session study of the book by the same name. The first class will be offered on Wednesday mornings, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Future classes will be offered on Wednesday evenings or Saturday mornings beginning in November. Books cost \$10 each. Please sign up for this learning opportunity using the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or on Zion's website.



There are so many wonderful opportunities for you to connect, learn ,and discover how God shapes and forms the world around us! God IS in the news! The Good News is everywhere!

Faith formation IS for all ages!

Reformation Celebration



October 29th Reformation 500 Celebration

On Sunday, October 29th, we will be joining Lutherans throughout the world in a worship celebration of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation in October of 1517.

There will be one special service of worship on that morning at 10 am followed by a Reformation 500 party in the Connection Zone. The celebration will include dramatic performances of our members during worship. Spoiler alert: Martin Luther will be played by....No, that's a secret!

The party following will feature cake and other goodies as well as fun activities for all ages. You might even learn something new about your Lutheran history and heritage! Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime event!

LUTHER ROCKS!

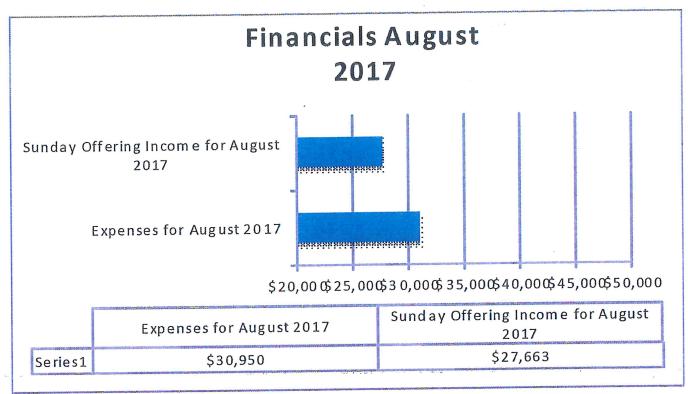
Calling all rock collectors!

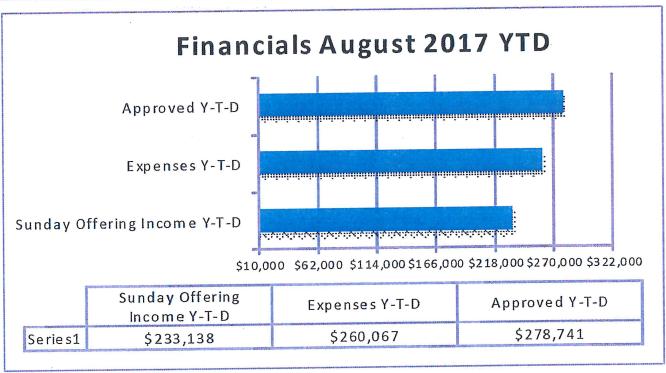


We need a bunch of rocks with smooth outer surfaces for the "Luther Rocks" activity at the Reformation 500 event. River rocks would be the best type; however, any smooth rock will do.

Please bring in (clean) stones for this project before Oct. 29th. A basket will be in the narthex (entry area) for the collection of "Luther Rocks."

Financial Figures (August)





^{*} In August, there was a credit to the unbudgeted income, making our total income \$28,567. *In 2017, we have received an additional \$5,758 making our total YTD income \$238,896.

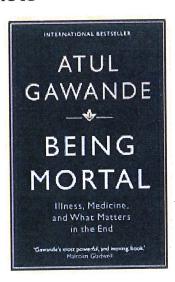
Stephen Ministry Event

BEING MORTAL

Community
Screening &
Discussion

When? October 7 9 AM—11 AM Where? Zion Lutheran Church Featuring:

- Screening of FRONTLINE documentary "Being Mortal"
- *Group discussion after the screening
- Free Advance Care Planning Packets



EVENT COME AND VIEW THE 1-HOUR DOCUMENTARY BASED ON THE BOOK BY SURGEON ATUL GAWANDE, PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION THAT FOLLOWS, AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS.

PICK UP A FREE
PACKET WITH
ADVANCE CARE
PLANNING MATERIALS
AND PARTICIPATE IN A
RAFFLE TO WIN THE
BOOK BEING MORTAL

Blessing of the Animals

Blessing of the Animals, Oct. 8, 2 PM

October 6th is the commemoration of St. Francis, the patron saint of animals. Therefore, it is fitting at this time of year to honor God's creatures that give us so much love and companionship.

You are invited to bring your animal companions to the church for a special blessing on Sunday, October 8th (raindate Oct. 15). We'll gather by the cross garden for a brief service followed by some light refreshments- both for pets and for humans.

If your dear animal companion died during the past year, please bring a photo that we can display on the "Memory Table" during the service. Together, we will remember your special friend and give thanks for the ways he/she blessed your life.

In order to insure the safety of both animals and humans, please bring your pet in a carrier or on a leash.

WOMEN OF ZION

Women of Zion is open to all women in our church and their friends! If you have the time and would like to join us for fun and fellowship, we would love to have you! During the year, there are opportunities for service projects and social events. Sometimes, we take day trips! We are always looking for new ideas and the women who are willing to make them happen!

Comforter Ministry: Monday, October 2 at 9 AM in the kitchen

Join us as we tie knots in comforters for those in need. We need your donations of "no longer needed" clean sheets and blankets to be used in the comforters.

Place them in the WOZ bin next to the mailboxes.

Yarn Ministry: Sunday, October 1 and 15 at 1PM in the parlor.

Join us as we make hats, scarves and mittens for the children of the Food Pantry. We need donations of yarn for our projects. Place them in the WOZ bin next to the mailboxes.

Christmas Gift Bags for the Food Pantry children: We will be filling the gift bags in December and then they will be given to the Food Pantry clients for their children. A list of suggested gift donations will be included in the next newsletter. You may bring them and place them in the collection bin during the month of November.

Social Outreach

Adopt A Highway: October 10

Submitted by Randy Miller

Twice each year, the Outreach team and a small group of friends from Zion gather to clean up a two-mile stretch of Harrisburg Pike, running from Oakleaf Manor to the Clock in the center of Landisville. Because this is mainly a residential area, there isn't all that much to pick up. But people along the route are always appreciative, and we have had many friendly greetings over the years.

We need a minimum of six participants to make the job easier, but of course, more is better. We typically break into three groups, with each group covering about 2/3 of a mile. Rarely does a group collect more than one bag of refuse — sometimes, we come back with empty bags. So, while this is sort of a "labor of

love" (trying to help our environment and keep our community beautiful), quite frankly, it isn't labor at all! It is more of a social thing.

Our next Adopt A Highway project will be held on October 10, weather permitting. We will meet at the parking lot across from the tennis courts (by the playground) at A. Herr Park at 5:30. We are typically finished before 6:30. After that, our team will be going to Hot Z's for our monthly meeting —

another social event! You are welcome to join us and enjoy a little socialization.

Please sign up on the sign up sheet in the Narthex if you are able to help. I hope to see you there!

OCTOBER 6 MOVIE AT THE ZONE

Is it possible for a hillbilly to reach for the stars? The story of West Virginia teen Homer Hickam says it is. This month's feature is "October Sky."

Following the Soviet launch of Sputnik in 1957, four friends interested in rocketry set out to help America become the leader in the space race. Based on a true story, the film features Jake Gyllenhaal, Chris Cooper, and Laura

Dern. Inspiring and heartwarming, the story shows just how much perseverance can accomplish. The film is rated PG (language and some violence). Filed in 1999, the film runs for just under 2 hours. Come on out and join us!



▶ Barnstorming Clipper Stadium, Part 1 Submitted by Dave Albin

In the middle of February, I auditioned at Park City to sing the National Anthem at Clipper Stadium for a Lancaster Barnstormers home game this year. I was accepted and scheduled for August 17th, a Thursday night. Only upon notifying me of the scheduled date did the Barnstormers tell me that I needed to bring twenty-five friends with me, and that each would have to pay for their ticket. At least two dollars per ticket would go to a charity of my choice – Zion Church, naturally.

And so the months-long, humiliating and completely embarrassing selling campaign began. Let me say at this point that I truly appreciate all of you that bought tickets, especially those of you that did so just because I was going to sing, not because you were actually interested in the ball game. You have each touched me deeply by your gesture. The money was collected and sent in, and the final days were soon upon us. I could hardly wait... and then I received the e-mail.

It was from Alex Einhorn, head of the Public Relations Department of the Barnstormers,





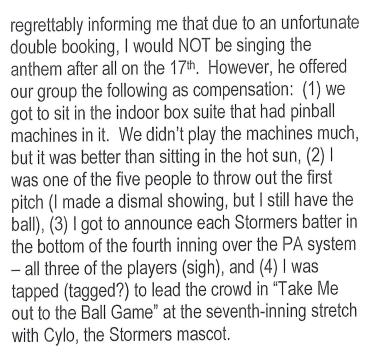












This article is running long, so I'll pick up next newsletter with how everything went at the game itself. I also have a surprise for all of you that attended with me – I did get a return engagement after all! More on that to come, as well. Until then, if God is your relief pitcher, get off the mound and go to the bullpen!

Food Pantry Submitted by Diane Gerlach

In August, the pantry served 159 families which included 249 children, 385 adults, and 74 seniors for a total of 708 people served.

During the month of August Zion members donated 46 pounds of food..... Thank you for your weekly food donations and your continued financial contributions to the pantry. Monetary contributions allow the pantry to purchase food items at the Central Penn Food Bank in Harrisburg at greatly reduced prices per pound which include meats, eggs, dairy products and other food items not donated through food collections. Financial contributions also allow the pantry managers to "shop for" food items on sale at local food stores and to purchase supplies for the pantry.

During the month of AugustDarrenkamps of Mount Joy donated 2,162 pounds of fresh produce to the pantry; Target in Lititz donated over 1,963 pounds of fresh produce and over 114 pounds of bakery items; Weis Markets in Columbia donated 1,049 pounds of bread and bakery items; Weis Market Stony Battery Road donated 467 pounds of bread and bakery items AND 570 pounds of meat products; S. Clyde Weaver donated 210 pounds of bread and bakery items: Giant of Kissel Hill, Lititz donated 357 pounds of bakery items: Giant of Mount Joy donated 955 pounds of bakery items. The pantry purchased 245 pounds of food items through local grocery

stores; 5,399 pounds of food from the Central Penn Food Bank. The pantry received 3,084 pounds of free food items from Community Action Program. In addition to the above donations and purchases, 10,865 pounds came from the community which includes donations from the churches, businesses, social and civic organizations and private individuals.

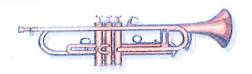
Special contributions and food donations were received from: Stauffers of Rohrerstown over 100 (\$5.00) bags of food items purchased and donated through their customers in August; Hempfield Rec added 342 pounds of food items. Our "summer farmers" contribute fresh produce from their gardens weekly....Church of the Apostles, Rohrerstown, contributed 352 pounds of fresh produce from their church garden; Penn State local fields provided 791 pounds of produce to the pantry; Elmer Stoltzfus donated 708 pounds of fresh produce from his farm.

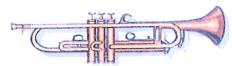
Eighty volunteers gave 796 hours during the month of August. The pantry is a complete volunteer effort, operating with a full non-paid staff. Many volunteers work "behind the scenes" on days other than "open" days of Monday and Wednesday. There are "pick-ups" of staples, fresh produce, and bakery items made throughout the week at the various businesses. In addition, there is an office staff documenting the donations received

and completing the reports required for the Central Penn Food Bank, as well as registering new clients each week. We could not provide this important community service without our volunteers! Our clients are very appreciative of the time the volunteers willingly give to serving with a true servant's heart and a smile! The pantry is an ecumenical project with eighteen churches in the Hempfield area supporting the pantry with food, finances and volunteers. In addition, the local boy scouts and girls scouts, Hempfield School District students and staff, Hempfield Woman's Club, Rotary Club, postal employees, Union National Bank Salunga, Village Grande Community, Willow Valley Retirement Community, Hempfield REC contribute to the pantry regularly... many individuals and businesses also join the "fight against hunger" with special food drives and financial contributions. Hempfield Area Food Pantry is a total community effort.

AND, the pantry would not be able to provide this program to the Hempfield residents without the outreach mission of Zion with the use of God's property. This mission is a witness of God's hands, feet, heart, and love in action!

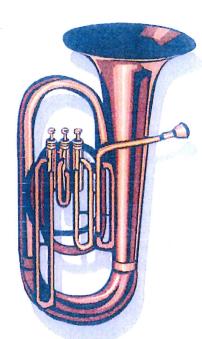
Stop by to visit the community pantry "in action" any Monday or Wednesday morning or see Diane Gerlach for a tour. Thank 12 you!





QuintEssentially Brass

Sun., Oct. 22, 2017 Concert 4:00 PM



Trinity UCC

2340 State St. East Petersburg, PA

www.trinityeastpete.org

717-569-1632

Public Welcome

Freewill Offering Benefits Love INC. And Trinity's Ministry Of Music

Also join us for:

Thanksgiving Eve Service Nov. 22nd 7:00 PM

Christmas Concert Dec. 3rd 6:00 PM Followed By Desserts







Connecting With Others

THANK YOU

Thank you to Jesse Landis, Darrell Gerke, Randy Miller, Jim Paternoster, and Scott Hetrick who helped with the lawn care around the church property this summer while Tom was out on medical leave. Your willingness, time, and work did not go unnoticed and was greatly appreciated!

From Aarin Deibler

...Thank you to everyone who donated paper towel and toilet paper rolls.

CONDOLENCES

...to the family and friends of Dorris Myers Strauss, an inactive member, who died on Sept. 7. ...to Joel Janisewski and his extended family on the death of his grandmother on Sept. 18.



SAVE THIS DATE: October 29

Zion will celebration the 500th anniversary of the Reformation on October 29th with ONE SERVICE at 10 AM. There will be festivities after the service!

HVAC Vote Result

The congregational meeting on Sept. 10 resulted in a vote of 84-0 in favor of replacing the HVAC system for the social room and the front wing.

Thank you to all members who participated. The Property Team is now taking steps forward to make this project become a reality.



If You Are In The Hospital

If you are in the hospital, we ask that you make certain to list Zion Lutheran Church of Landisville as your church. If you do not list Zion as your church, we will not be

notified by the hospital. In addition, we ask that you contact the church office (898-2911) if there is a hospitalization because sometimes the hospital does not notify us right away.



October Celebrations

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PAGA	belond	9	Scott Cruym	23	Bob Lowden
EUI	micres/le	9	Phil Houseal	24	Ryan Traup
		10	Pat Landis	25	Christopher Chapman
1	Horst Bernhard	11	Pastor JMe	27	Austin Keith
1	Kevin Ramer	11	Sarah McCullough	27	Suzanne Reed
2	Collin Dean	12	Ruth Janisewski	28	Justin Golihew
2	Catherine Reider *	13	Dottie Anderson	28	Marv Hoover
3	Janet Bair *	15	Donna Dumeyer	30	Benjamin Emerick
4	Vivian Gunzenhauser	15	Lisa Nelson	30	Kristen Haun
4	Lynda Sherwood	16	Wendy DiNardi	31	Grace Rohrbach *
5	Monica Traup	17	Thelma Pearson *	31	Dave Wise
6	Jamie Stream	17	Katrina Rosen		
6	Shane Symonds	18	Wilson Pipkin	*90+ birthday	
7	Ryder Barr	19	Bryan Dohner		
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НΔ	PPY BAPTISMAL	9	Lynda Martin	23	Ava Stream
		9	Sue Trupe	23	James Yeager
	BIRTHDAY!	12	Bob Shirk	25	Kensie Barr
1	Maria Hetirck	13	Cameron Thompson	25	Zachary Barr
1	Patsy Hinkle	14	Melissa Dohner	25	Kimberly Seyfried
4	Connie Alsedek	16	Noah Crum	25	Kyle Symonds
4	Stephen Crum	16	Jonathan Hoover	26	Bob Wildasin
4	Corrie Stream	18	Cindy Donell	27	Kyle Brady
5	Aiden DiNardi	18	Dylan Leibley	28	Claire Flood
6	Dick Heim	18	Chase Pipkin	28	Brittany Wright
7	Andrew Metzinger	20	Kayla Gromen	29	Marilyn Heim
8	June Duke	22	Dylan Quinn	29	Jonathan Wise
8	Shawn King	23	Devin Andrew	30	Jeff Rickert
8	Kristen Long	23	Abby Barley	31	Ian Flood
9	Horst Bernhard	23	Cory Paternoster		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Ed & Cindy Blough (40th)
- Jeff & Amy Thompson (25th)
 Jim & Kim Paternoster (25th) 1
- 11
- Doug & Aarin Deibler (15th) 12
- Sean & Kimberly Seyfried (7th) 16
- Tim & Kim Propst (28th) 21

- Jon & Karen Wright (34th) 22
- Carl & Diane Metzinger (3rd) 25



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Dolly Overly, Prayer Team

Hempfield Area Food Pantry Staff

Amos & Mellie Geib, Managers
David Bleil, Board President/Manager
Diane Gerlach, Vice-President
Roz Flannelly, Secretary
Lisa Bernhard, Treasurer
Diane Gerlach, Pantry Coordinator

Our purpose is to complete the work assigned to us by our Lord Jesus, to spread the good news about the wonderful grace of God with the Holy Spirit's guidance, and to love all.

November Newsletter Deadline: October 15

Worship: 8 AM & 10:30 AM (Except Oct. 29: One service at 10 AM)

Faith Formation: 9:15 AM

Parish Admin. Office Hours: Mon. - Fri: 9AM - 2 PM

Office assistance when the office is closed: 945-4585 (Anne's cell)

Pastoral emergencies: 940-3602 (Pastor JMe's cell)