

ZION NEWS

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**Zion Evangelical
Lutheran Church**

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

The Ministers of Zion: Every member of the congregation

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

"Because of God's Great Mercy" is the title of our stewardship emphasis this year. The scriptural basis of this focus on our stewardship of all that God has entrusted into our care is I Peter 2:9, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness and into his marvelous light."

We begin by proclaiming all that God has done for us, hence the title "Because of God's Great Mercy." God has made us God's own people. We will also consider how generous giving is an important part of every Christian's life, and how our combined generosity can make even greater things possible through our congregation.

We will think together about how our giving to Zion is an important part of our Christian faith, and how Zion uses our offerings to do God's work within the congregation's walls, in our community, and around the world.

"Because of God's Great Mercy" will ask you to do two things. First, you will be asked to increase your giving to Zion by at least ½ of 1% of your household income. Second, you will be asked to consider using an automatic funds transfer program that Zion already has in place for your giving, Simply Giving.

"Because of God's Great Mercy" will use mail, e-mail, and time in worship to share information with you. Please make a special effort to watch for material during this important time in our congregation's life.

Your Sister in Christ,
Pastor JMe

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♦ From the Council President

"The things that are impossible with people are possible with God." -Luke 18:27

As the summer winds down and fall begins, it signals the start of another year of Zion activities and schedules. With school in full swing, Faith Formation starting on September 18th, and our new CYFM director, Jeff, embarking on the scene with a whole new list of ideas and activities, we look forward to a banner year at Zion.

Summer always results in a decrease in attendance due to vacations, one church service, and a limited Faith Formation schedule. But now with a full schedule of services, classes, and activities, we look forward to not only an increase in attendance, but hopefully in participation as well.

We all should be sure to open our hearts to new visitors. There is nothing more reassuring to a visitor or a potential new member than a gesture that makes them feel welcome. Also, if you know of any present or past members who haven't been attending recently, give them a call to invite them to one of our services or activities. Sometimes all they need is that welcoming gesture.

We have many opportunities for participation in a host of different areas throughout Zion and we invite you to share your interests and talents with the congregation where you feel comfortable.

One of those areas of participation would be to fill the vacancies of four candidates who will be completing their terms of office in December of this year. The term of office for Council members is for three years beginning in January 2017, and one of the four positions would be for a youth member of our congregation.

If this sounds like something you'd be interested in, please contact Pastor JMe or one of the following members currently serving on Council:

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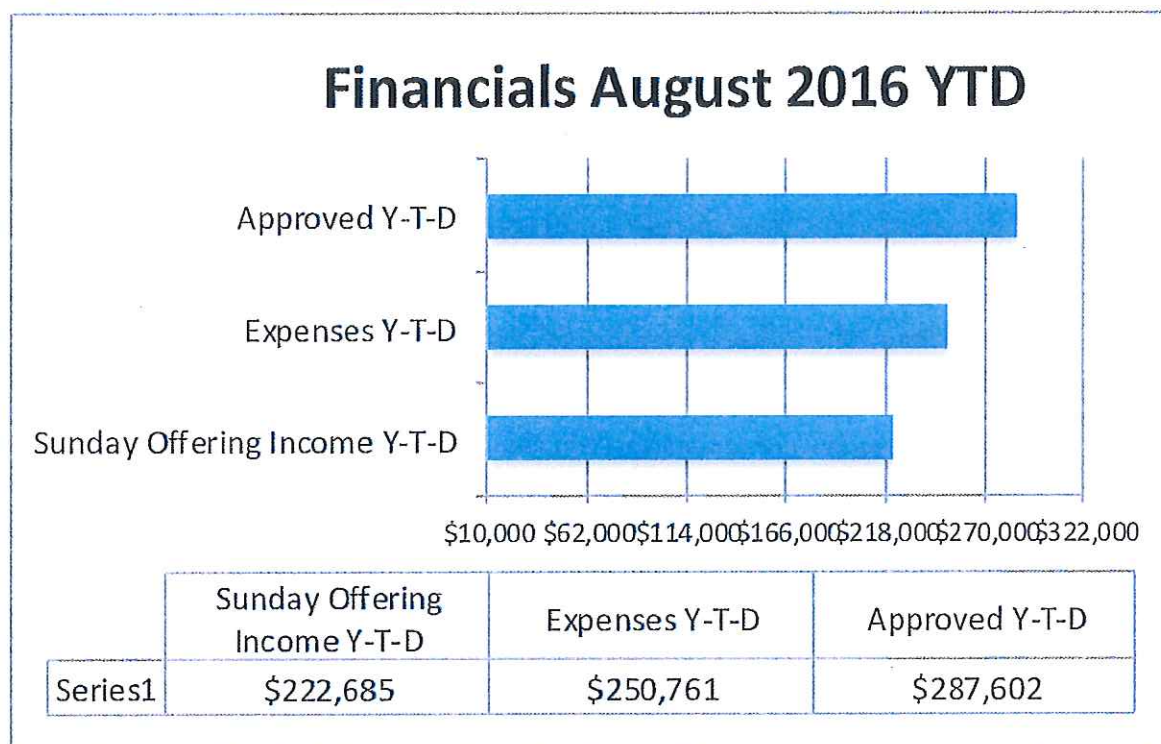
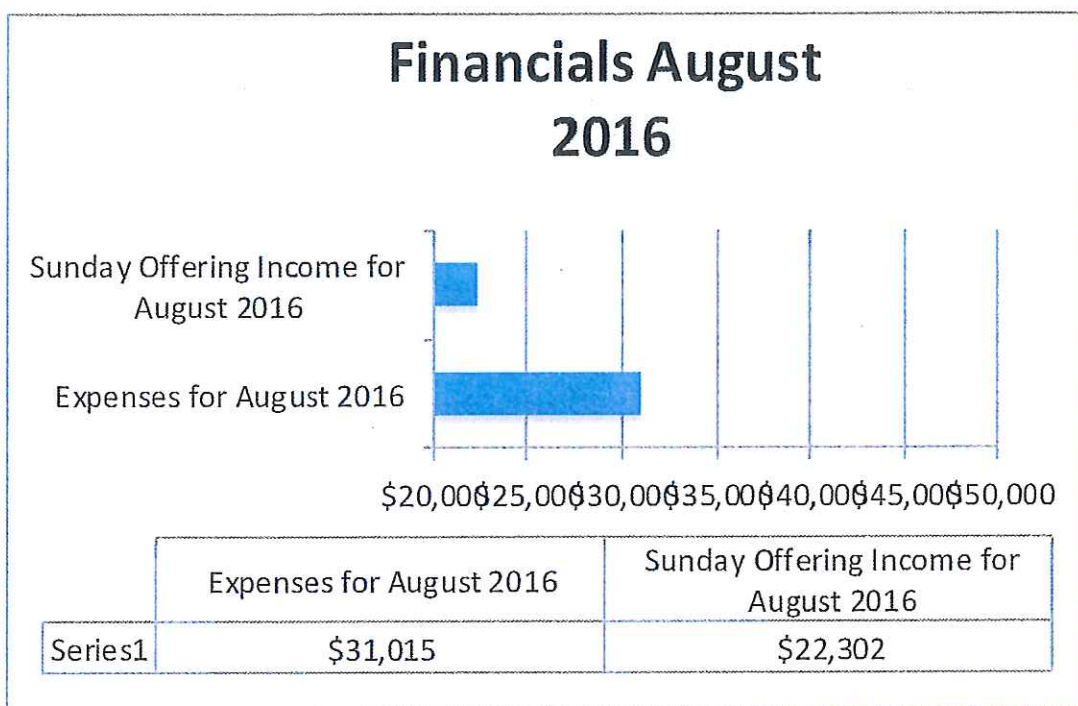
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Blessings to all and we look forward to a great year in His service at Zion.

♦ Financial Figures (August)



* In August, we received an additional \$11,986 from other sources, making our total income \$34,288.

*In 2016, we have received an additional \$35,462 (including \$10,000 from the endowment), making our total YTD income \$258,147.

♦ Stewardship, Stephen Ministry

LIVING GENEROUSLY

Submitted by Darrell Gerke

What do you pay for "services rendered"?

Last evening Barbara and I went to a local restaurant for dinner. After the waitress presented me the bill, I was calculating how much to add for the tip and started thinking about how years ago the suggested tip was 10% and how over the past few years the suggested tip has risen to 20%. Let me say that I don't begrudge leaving a 20% tip because I know the wait staff at restaurants work hard to provide good service under sometimes trying conditions. Good customer service and all that goes with it is commonly called "services rendered".

I also thought about the recommended 10% or tithe that as Christians we should be giving to the church as our payment for all the things God has done and continues to do for us. It is still 10%. He is our source for everything; a good standard of living, good health, family, friends and above all, eternal salvation. He does so many things for us that we cannot even comprehend all that he does. Not to make light of the Lord's blessings, but we could call it "services rendered".

As we start the Stewardship season this fall, I ask that you stop and think about all the blessings you have received this year and what you have given to the church as payment for "services rendered". My prayer for you is that you feel comfortable with your payments for "services rendered."

LIFE MATTERS SERIES

"Grieving Well" will be the theme of the first presentation of the new Life Matters series sponsored by Zion Stephen Ministry. The presentation will take place on October 8th, 10-11:30 AM. Patti Anewalt, Director of the Pathways Center of Hospice and Community Care will be the presenter. The presentation will be helpful to anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one or who wants to help someone who is grieving.

PATHWAYS
CENTER for
GRIEF & LOSS



On October 22, 10-11:30 AM, the second presentation of this special series will be held. Rochelle ("Rocky") Welkowitz, the manager of Transition Solutions for Seniors, will be the presenter of "How to Make Downsizing Easier." Zion's own Judy Traup and Pat Landis both work with Rocky helping seniors to make transitions to new, smaller residences or apartments in the Lancaster area.

♦ Social Outreach, Property

Social Outreach Update

Submitted by Randy Miller

Rally Day was a huge success. God blessed us with perfect weather and we returned his gift by helping others. If you think about it, Rally Day was all about Social Outreach. No, it wasn't a Social Outreach committee function. Rather, it was community service performed by numerous committees and groups within our congregation.

I would like to begin by thanking Jim Paternoster for grilling up an excellent meal. Leave it to Jim to turn hot dogs and hamburgers into a gourmet feast. Plus all of the dishes provided by various congregational members certainly helped.

The one Rally Day function that was sponsored by Social Outreach was Adopt-A-Highway. This is something we do twice per year – Spring and Fall. I would like to thank the following people for helping me: Kevin Reinhart, Wayne Dearolf, Denise Haun, Steve Haun, Pat Brady, Jo Stone, and Dolly Overly.

I would also like to thank all of the members who stepped up to the plate (pun intended) to host the weekly Community Meal. This gives Joanne Grim, who has handled this for the past 10 years, a much needed break. We have a team of 13 people, so no one has to serve more than 2 times per year. If you would like to pitch in and help, there are still some open dates coming up in the New Year.

Last month there was talk of a possible Mission Trip to West Virginia. I contacted Pastor Glenn Beard of Luther Acres who has historically coordinated trips. Ironically, he

had a team going to wrap up Hurricane Sandy clean up this past week. Needs continue for many years after a catastrophe. He expects to be hosting a trip to WV in April of next year. I will be attending a meeting in York on October 16th, and might actually become a member of our Synod LDR Network to represent Zion. I hope to learn more about an upcoming trip during this meeting. If you are interested in joining us for a trip in Spring, please e-mail me at randy.miller@cna.com or call me at 898-8526. We have a potential team of 9 members, but I would love to see that grow.

SEPTEMBER JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTIONS

⇒ The **September Joyful Noise** offering collected \$108.26. This money was used to send the Fabric Kits to Lutheran World Relief.

Property Work Day October 8; 8 AM

Come help the Property Team clean up the church grounds for the fall & winter seasons!

There will be a variety of jobs to do, so all ages and abilities and interests are welcome!

Questions? Contact Jere
(898-7849)

♦ **WOZ** submitted by Millie Gundel

*All women are invited to participate in any
of our projects and events.
Please mark your calendars for the following
ministries and join us for fun and fellowship!
Bring a friend!*



Yarn Ministry - Sundays, October 2 and 16, November 6 and 20, December 4 and 8.
Yarn Ministry meets in Parlor.

Comforter Ministry - Mondays, October 3, November 7, December 5.
Comforter Ministry meets in Social Room.

Rally Day Service Projects-Thank you to everyone who participated in knot tying on the fleece blanket, knot tying on the comforter, and rolling up the fabric kits. These are all projects that the WOZ does through the year and it is most helpful when we have additional helpers! The red and black fleece blankets will be given to Hempfield students who need them. The comforters and fabric kits will be given to Lutheran World Relief to be sent somewhere in the world where they are needed. The fabric kits are a new project for us. We appreciate everyone who contributed material and thread.....the cost of supplies was far more than we anticipated. These kits will enable people to sew clothes for their families or to make income for their families.

Fabric Kits & blankets will be blessed during worship on Oct. 2 at both services.

Christmas Gift Bags for Food Pantry Children-We will be collecting gift donations beginning in November. Please see the complete list, dates, and detailed information on the following page. Additional flyers with this information will be available on the bulletin board by the front door in the Narthex....take one for when you shop!

Christmas Gift Bags for Food Pantry Children - In December, we will be filling gift bags for the children, ages newborn to 12 years. If you want to take advantage of the back-to-school sales now, please keep your donations at home, until the collection begins in November. A complete list of suggested donations will be available soon, but it will include supplies like crayons, colored pencils, markers, and calculators.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS FOR HEMPFIELD AREA FOOD PANTRY CHILDREN

This is a service project by the Women of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Landisville. Many area Hempfield churches provide donations of gift items and help in filling the bags.

Each bag will contain a toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste donated by local dentists, as well as a warm hat and possibly a scarf, both of which are handmade or crocheted.

We are collecting donations of other gifts to include in the bags for about 200 children. The gifts should be new and appropriate for infants to age 12.

Our gift bags measure 8x4x10 inches, **so large items will not fit!**

Donation suggestions:

- small toys - (yo yo, jump rope, ball, etc.)
- pocket flashlight
- small packs of cookies
- small books.
- small calculators
- sippy cups, bath toys.
- infant soft toy, rattle, snack cup, book
- small pencil sharpeners
- "fat" crayons (for pre-school).
- hair accessories
- small boxes or medium box of crayons.
- gloves/mittens
- colored markers/pencils
- playdough
- handheld games or puzzles



Gift donations will be collected at Zion from Sunday, November 6 through Sunday, November 27.

They may be placed in the bin in the front hallway.

All are welcome to join us when we fill the Gift Bags at Zion on Sat., December 3 at 9 AM in the Social Room. Questions? Contact Millie (898-2313).

♦ ZYM, Kids' Club, Parent Cafe



OCTOBER ZYM

This fall's ZYM theme is "Living in the Light".

We are all God's children (1 John 3:1).

What does this mean?

Who am I and whose am I?

Diving deeper into what it means to be a child
of God.

Take a break...take in the fresh air...leave
your backpacks at home.

ZYM's first retreat with Jeff Engroff takes
place **December 2-4** at Myers's Retreat
Center at Camp Kirchenwald.

"Get out of the boat!"

GAMES, FOOD, HIKING, FOOD, GREAT
CONVERSATION, FOOD,
and most importantly...YOU!



5:30: Dinner for the entire family

6-7 PM: Activities for kids

[preschool-4th grade]

Invite you friends and neighborhood kids!

October 5 & 19

November 2 & 16

December 7 & 21

**CHECK OUT ZION'S NEW
"CONNECTION ZONE" IN
WHAT USED TO BE THE
NURSERY SCHOOL ROOM!**



It's back!

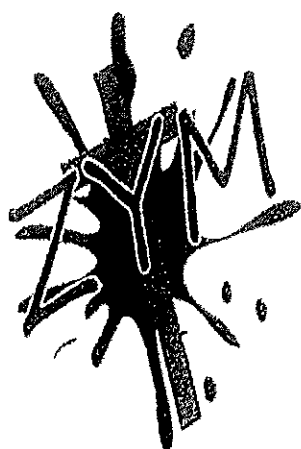
*All parents with young children
are welcome!*

*Join us for the Parent Café on
October 2nd during the Faith
Formation hour (9:15 AM) in the
Social Room.*

*This group will enjoy time
together to share in conversation
about real-life issues and
experiences of raising young
children.*

*Come share in the dialogue with
and support from others who are
"in the trenches" of this stage of
life and activity.*

*For more information...
contact Jeff E. at the
church office or call/text
717-606-2266.*



2016 Fall Calendar

SEPTEMBER

11-RALLY YD
SERVE!

18- H2H (6-8)

23-25-ALIVE!

(Grades 6-8)

25-ZPM (6-8)

OCTOBER

2-H2H (6-8)

9-ZPM (6-8)

16- H2H (6-8)

23-ZPM (6-8)

(BONFIRE @

GRUBES)

30-H2H (6-8)

NOVEMBER

6- ZPM (6-8)

13-H2H (6-8)

20-ZPM

(SERVICE PROJECT)

27-H2H (6-8)

DECEMBER

2-4 ZPM FALL

RETREAT!

11-H2H (6-8)

18-ZPM

CHRISTMAS

PARTY

JANUARY 2017

6-8-WINTERFEST

(Grades 9-12)

♦ More About John Long

John Long was the only member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Landisville who died in World War II.

John is referred to as “Johnny” in the book “Finding the Way” written by his step-son Andrew H. Farmer

John, born August 17, 1919, was the next to youngest of the Long children. Johnny excelled in all of his classes in East Hempfield Township schools. While attending high school, Johnny was motivated scholastically by Mary Elizabeth Baker, later married to Samuel Dum. It was John’s goal to get a higher grade than Beth.

Johnny graduated from high school in 1937. He enrolled in Dickinson College and graduated in 1941 with a Bachelor of Philosophy degree, with majors in history, psychology and German. In late 1939 he met his future wife Mary Louise Hollinger.

Johnny was drafted into the army in July 1941 and passed exams that qualified him to transfer to the Army Air Corps. He began his military career as a Private, but later took and passed exams to qualify for the aviation cadet program.

Johnny eventually achieved the rank of Captain and was a navigator in a B-25 on August 9, 1945 when his crew crashed and died while attacking one of the last Japanese air craft carriers, Kaiyo, in the Beppu Bay, Japan.

The American Army Air Corp dropped atom bombs on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, and the second on August 9 on Nagasaki. The news media covered the bombings and the Japanese surrender on September 2, 1945 with practically no coverage on Johnny and his crew dying the same day as the bomb was dropped on Nagasaki.

A memorial service at Zion was held for Johnny on September 9, 1945 led by Pastor Harold Dietz. Johnny was eventually returned to this country in 1949 and is buried in the Landisville Mennonite Cemetery.

Andrew Farmer has donated several copies of Finding the Way to Zion to give us an opportunity to learn more about our former member John Long and his service and sacrifice to his country.

♦ Food Pantry *Submitted by Diane Gerlach*

In August, the pantry served 176 families which included 226 children, 377 adults, and 880 seniors for a total of 691 people served.

During the month of August Zion members donated 136 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 to purchase food items on sale at local food stores and to purchase supplies for the pantry.

During the month of August....Darrenkamps of Mount Joy donated 1,608 pounds of fresh produce to the pantry; **Target in Lititz donated 2,388 pounds** of fresh produce and 188 pounds of bakery items; **Weis Markets in Columbia** donated **896 pounds** of bread and bakery items; **Weis Market Stony Battery Road donated 491 pounds** of bread and bakery items; **S. Clyde Weaver donated 246 pounds** of bread and bakery items; **Forry's 309 pounds** of produce; **Giant of Kissel Hill, Lititz contributed 290 pounds** of bakery items; **Giant of Mount Joy donated 1,439 pounds** of bakery items. **The pantry purchased 390 pounds of food items** through local grocery stores; **6,484 pounds of food from the Central Penn Food Bank**; and **received 2,256 pounds of free food items** from Community Action Program in Lancaster.



Eighty seven volunteers gave 800 hours during the month of August.

Our clients are very appreciative of the time the volunteers willingly

give to serving them with a true servant's heart and a smile! We could not provide this important community service without

our volunteers! The pantry continues to operate with a full non-paid staff. Eighteen churches in the Hempfield area support the pantry with food, finances and volunteers. In addition, the local boy scouts and girls scouts, Hempfield School District students and staff, Hemfield Woman's Club, Rotary Club, postal employees, Union National Bank Salunga, Village Grande Community, Willow Valley Retirement Community, many individuals and businesses all join the "fight against hunger" in the Hempfield area.

Zion can be very proud to provide the space for this outreach mission to our families in the Hempfield School District who need help in providing food for their families. **YOU are welcome to visit the community pantry located here at Zion on our "open" days (Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 P) to witness God's hands, feet, heart, and love in action!**

The main items needed (requested) for the pantry currently are canned fruit, canned corn, canned tomatoes and jelly. Thank you.



Together we will feed the hungry! 11

**GET YOUR SHOES ON FOR THE
2016 CROP WALK ON OCTOBER 16**

Every year, participants of the Lancaster CROP Hunger Walk tie on their sneakers, adorn themselves with the event's signature "stop" sign and march through routes around the city.

Their efforts raise funds to combat hunger in more than 80 countries, including our own local communities, as a part of the Church World Service's international campaigns to provide food and clean water to the approximately 1 billion undernourished people living in the world today.

Support the ZELC Landisville Team by joining us for the CROP Walk or giving a donation. Go online to: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/lanasterpa/zionhempfield> to register to walk or provide a donation. Together we can make a difference for those who are hungry or without potable water sources in our world.

The Lancaster walk will begin at Clipper Magazine Stadium 650 N. Prince St. Registration begins at 12:45 PM, and we'll all start walking at 1:30 PM.



**Community
Pet
Celebration**
and Blessing of the Animals!

Saturday, October 8
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bring your pet and join your neighbors as we celebrate our pets and the love they give us.

- Free "Pet Pouch" for each family.
- Service dog training demonstration
- Information from Humane PA
- Tours of the church
- Pet safety information
- Refreshments (for pets and people)
- The Blessing of the Animals will occur at 12 noon

Our pets always give us unconditional love. Let us take this day to return the love and celebrate their place in our lives.

Leashes, harnesses and/or crates are required for pets.



All Pets Welcome!



Holy Spirit Lutheran Church,
3131 Columbia Ave. Lancaster, PA 17603
(beside Sheetz and across from Interiors Home)



RIZZETTA'S TONES

Rizzetta's Tones is a Celtic American band, comprised of 'fraternal twin' hammer dulcimers, silver flute, high and low whistles, and guitars. We often spice up our sound with button accordion, autoharp, Greek bouzouki, mandolin, ukulele, as well as doumbek, cajon, djembe, and other percussion instruments. All four members take turns singing



The Rizzetta's Tones:
Randy Kachel, Amanda Wells,
Linda Lohr and Bill Stine

lead and background vocals on songs, both poignant and humorous. Our repertoire includes music from Scotland, Ireland, and the United States, drawing as well from the traditions of Finland, Brazil, France, Macedonia, and many other lands. Forging new arrangements and writing our own material, we present audiences with a pleasing twist while respecting musical traditions.

Enjoy Celtic music at its best
with a reception following
at a venue unique to
downtown Lancaster, Tellus360.
(24 East King Street, Lancaster)

October 30, 2016

Concert at 4:00PM

Tellus360 Pub Fare Reception at 6:00PM

Tickets are sure to sell out quickly!
Don't miss this wonderful
evening of music benefiting the

LANCASTER COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Tickets are \$60.00.

Visit <https://cellicceol.eventbrite.com> or
call Kate Krill at 717-690-8049 or
email krill@lcchurches.org
by October 21, 2016.

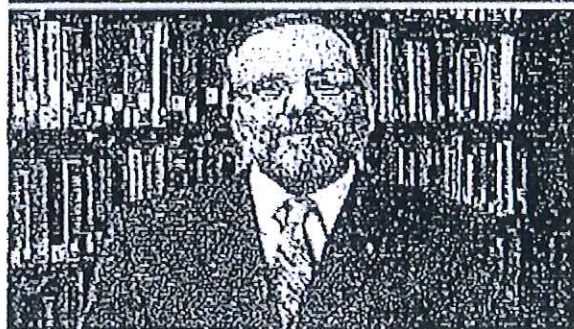


Palm Lutheran Church

PRESENTS

LUTHER ROSE LECTURES

REGISTER TO ATTEND NOW!



Luther's Life and Legacy: The Unexpected Reformation. **Rev. Dr. Tim Wengert**

The Luther Rose Lecture Committee is proud to announce the Rev. Dr. Tim Wengert as the speaker for the October 2016 program.

He is an ELCA pastor and professor emeritus of Reformation History and the Lutheran Confessions at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He is renowned as an expert on the subject of Martin Luther and has authored many scholarly articles and books on the subject of Martin Luther. His newest book, published in 2013 is "Reading the Bible with Martin Luther."

Sunday, October 30, 2016, 2:00-4:30 PM
(DOORS OPEN AT 1:30 PM)

Strengthening our faith through knowledge and understanding.

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG
THE LUTHER ROSE LECTURE SERIES IS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH A GIFT FROM THE REV. GERHARD G. DIETRICH & MRS. MARIE O. DIETRICH

Pathways Center for Grief & Loss

Grief Support Series

Grief support groups are held on Thursday evenings starting with a light supper at 6 PM. From 6:30-7:30 PM children and teens meet in age-specific groups while the parents/guardians gather separately to learn how to support grieving children.

These sessions are for anyone who has lost a loved one as a result of illness or from a sudden, unexpected death.

All groups are facilitated by master's level grief counselors and trained volunteers. We focus on helping children identify and express their feelings as they share experiences about the death of their loved one. Groups enhance family communication and expand the personal skills needed to cope with, and adjust to, the intense feelings and challenges that accompany loss and grief.

Prior to enrolling in a series, families attend an assessment to ensure that the support groups will be helpful.

Upcoming Dates

Thursdays

Oct. 20 - Dec.8

**Registration deadline:
Oct. 7, 2016**

Thursdays,

Jan. 12 - March 2, 2017

**Registration Deadline:
Dec. 30, 2016**

Thursdays,

March 16 - April 27, 2017

**Registration Deadline:
March 3, 2017**

Call 717-391-2413

Bible Verses About Prayer

1 John 1:9 - *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

James 5:16 - *Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.*

Psalms 145:18 - *The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.*

Proverbs 15:29 - *The Lord is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayers of the righteous.*

Romans 8:26 - *In the same way, the spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the spirit himself intercedes for us through our wordless groans.*

Philippians 4:6-7 - *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with Thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Fall Events At Nawakwa, Kirchenwald, & The Wittel Farm



BOOK STUDY RETREAT

October 4-6

NAWAKWA

This retreat will focus on the books *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd and *Song Yet Sung* by James McBride. All meals are included in the price and served at the Dining Hall. This mid-week retreat begins Tuesday morning and ends with lunch on Thursday. Please register by September 23. Registration Fee: \$145



BAG TOSS TOURNAMENT

Sunday, October 16

KIRCHENWALD

Come out to the First-Annual Bag Toss Tournament at Kirchenwald's Fall Foliage Day. Then enjoy all the special activities going on at camp, as well. Games start promptly at 1:00pm. \$30 registration per team of two people. Registration fee includes participation in other activities (hayrides, pumpkin painting, etc) and dinner. Call 717.964.3121 to register.

CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR

Sunday, October 2, 3-5:30pm

KIRCHENWALD

Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance. Invite your friends and family (parents, too) to join you in this CTF summer reunion event. Play alongside familiar faces from your week at camp, plus campers from every other week of the summer. Campfire worship to follow.

This is a free event, but please RSVP by September 25.



FALL FOLIAGE DAYS

Sunday, October 16, 1:00-6:00pm

KIRCHENWALD AND NAWAKWA

Bring your family and friends to camp for a fall afternoon!

Enjoy some of your favorite camp activities.

An evening meal will be provided. Please register by October 7.

Registration Fee:
\$7 per person



QUILT AUCTION

November 6

NAWAKWA

2:00 Silent Auction

3:00pm Live Auction

4:00pm Worship followed by dinner

All proceeds from the day benefit the Endowment Fund, making camping possible for generations to come! Please register before October 21. This is a free event, and includes an evening meal.



WOMEN'S CRAFT RETREAT

November 11-13

NAWAKWA

Projects are provided AND you may bring your own to work on! Meals, lodging, and most supplies provided. Please register by November 1. Registration Fee: \$145

ADVENT DAY APART

Saturday, December 10

THE WITTEL FARM

We don't like to wait for anything, and especially Christmas. With all its secular attraction, this holiday is often a focus on over-indulgence, and too often neglected is the best gift of all... one worth our waiting. You are invited to The Wittel Farm for a day apart from the busyness of life for prayer and contemplation as we journey toward the celebration of Christmas. Please register by November 25. Includes lunch.

Registration Fee: \$15



Call to register or go online: 677-8211 or lutherancamping.org

♦ Congratulations, Thank You, Announcements

CONGRATULATIONS....

...to Erica & John Kearson (and grandparents Steve & Denise Haun) on the birth of Rylie Grace on September 15th.

THANK YOU....

...Thank you to everyone who helped (or agreed to) prepare or serve food for the Amos Herr Park build. When the park is complete, please stop by and look at the pickets with Zion's name and Anna Mary Herr's name on them; this is a meaningful way to keep our name out in the community and shows that we support community projects.

...Thank you to everyone who donated Fabric Kits for the Lutheran World Relief. The goal was to have 20 kits and the Women of Zion are proud to report that that goal was met! Thank you!

IT'S TIME FOR A NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY!

Be a part of our upcoming photography event.

Be yourself. Classic, casual, musical, sporty, fun— it's up to you!

Make it special. Bring meaningful items and special people too! (like mom)

Share your story with family and friends. Portraits make great gifts.

Each family receives a complimentary 8x10 and a free directory for participating! You will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits for yourself, family and friends.



Photo sessions will be at Zion
on Tues., Dec. 27th &
Wed., Dec. 28th
from 1-8 PM.

Stay tuned for more
information about how to sign
up for the time that suits you
and your family best!

!Attention Zion Singles!

*Are you looking for something to
do on Sunday, October 9
from 3-5 PM?*

Join us at Jeanette Bomberger's
home (1316 Willow Creek Drive,
Mount Joy).

*This is a "kick off" discussion for
future possible singles activities.*

Questions? See Jeanette,
Diane Gerlach, Gloria Grube,
Lisa Nelson, or Joan Oberrender.

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♦ October Celebrations



1	Horst Bernhard	9	Scott Crum	25	Christopher Chapman
1	Kevin Ramer	9	Phil Houseal	27	Austin Keith
2	Collin Dean	10	Pat Landis	27	Suzanne Reed
2	Catherine Reider	11	Pastor JMe Lowden	28	Justin Golihew
3	Janet Bair	11	Sarah McCullough	28	Marvin Hoover
4	Vivian Gunzenhauser	12	Ruth Janisewski	30	Benjamin Emerick
4	Lynda Sherwood	13	Dottie Anderson	30	Kristen Haun
5	Monica Traup	15	Donna Dumeyer	31	Dave Wise
6	Shane Symonds	15	Lisa Nelson		
7	Ryder Barr	16	Wendy DiNardi		
8	Arlie Reeves	17	Thelma Pearson		
8	Joanna Youssef	17	Katrina Rosen		
		18	Wilson Pipkin		
		19	Kathy Hengey		
		19	Ken Unger		
		23	Bob Lowden		
		24	Ryan Traup		



HAPPY BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAY!

1	Maria Hetrick	9	Lynda Martin	23	Cory Paternoster
1	Patsy Hinkle	9	Sue Trupe	23	James Yeager
4	Connie Alsedek	12	Bob Shirk	25	Kensie Barr
4	Stephen Crum	13	Cameron Thompson	25	Zachary Barr
5	Aiden DiNardi	14	Melissa Dohner	25	Kim Seyfried
6	Dick Heim	18	Jonathan Hoover	25	Kyle Symonds
7	Andrew Metzinger	18	Cindy Donell	26	Bob Wildasin
8	June Duke	18	Dylan Leibley	27	Kyle Brady
8	Shawn King	18	Chase Pipkin	28	Brittany David
8	Kristen Long	20	Kayla Gromen	28	Claire Flood
9	Horst Bernhard	23	Dylan Quinn	29	Marilyn Heim
		23	Devin Andrew	29	Jonathan Wise
		23	Abigail Barley	30	Jeff Rickert
		23	Mike Miller	31	Ian Flood

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

1	Ed & Cindy Blough (39th)	21	Tim & Kim Propst (27th)
1	Jeff & Amy Thompson (24th)	22	Jon & Karen Wright (33rd)
11	Jim & Kim Paternoster (24th)		
12	Doug & Aarin Deibler (14th)		
16	Sean & Kim Seyfried (6th)		



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Joel Janisewski (Faith Formation)
Ed Blough (Worship & Music)
Scott Hetrick (Property & Stewardship)
Scott Crum (Parish Fellowship & Care)
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Diane Gerlach, Vice-President
Judy Nichols, 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 17

Worship: 8 AM (Trad.) & 10:30 AM (Cont.)

Faith Formation For All Ages: 9:15 AM

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