

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

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WeeklE-Newsletter: December 17

COMING UP AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH

Sunday, December 19 -- Fourth Sunday of Advent

- * The altar flowers are sponsored by Brenda Stover in celebration of her birthday tomorrow!
- * The bulletins are sponsored anonymously in celebration of the season.
- * The communion elements are sponsored by Bob Wildasin in anticipation of the birth of the Christ Child.

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

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

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:15 a.m. (Parlor)

Wired Word Sunday School – 10:15 a.m. (Social Room)

Hempfield High School Ensemble Holiday Concert – 3:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Christmas in a Barn -7:00-8:30 p.m. (The Wittel Farm)

Monday, December 20

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

Tuesday, December 21

Bible Study – 9 - 10:30 a.m. (Parlor) Scouts – 6:30 p.m. (Classrooms)

Wednesday, December 22

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

Thursday, December 23

Community Meal -5:15 p.m. [Last one until 1/13] Choir -7:00 p.m.

Friday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

In-Person Christmas Eve Worship – 7:00 p.m.

 $Live stream/Recorded\ Worship-7:00\ p.m.$

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Saturday, December 25 – Merry Christmas!

Sunday, December 26

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. (Service of Lessons and Carols)

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

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion Live

No Sunday School Classes (Classes will resume on 1/9)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

JOYFUL NOISE

The collection through this month will go to Night to Shine. Night to Shine is an annual prom experience event for those with special needs. This event is one that these folks look forward to all year; it is one that gives them the chance to feel like other kids who get to experience the prom or some other special dance night.

THE COFFEE TABLE IS BACK!

Cookies, coffee, and hot water for tea are available on Sunday mornings again in the Narthex. Beverages can be found in the carafes. Decaffeinated coffee will be available in the Zone using Keurig single cup pods. Anyone interested in helping with the coffee set-up should contact Sue Wise (swoogle53@aol.com).

MINISTRY TEAMS

It's that time of year again...Please email your year-end ministry team report to Anne (adminzelc@comcast.net) this week.

CLOCK IN THE PARLOR

If you are interested in purchasing the grandfather clock that is currently in the Parlor, please contact Dave Dumeyer. We want to give church members the first opportunity to buy it. It will be sold based on sealed bids. If no one expresses interest by the end of the year, it will be advertised to the general public.

CHRISTMAS TRIVIA FOR ALL

The Wired Word Sunday School class is having a Christmas trivia contest on Sunday morning for anyone who would care to join in the game! There will be team play and team prizes for the winning team! Please come and join the fun and maybe learn some new facts about Christmas.

FROM THE CALL COMMITTEE

There is nothing to report from the Call Committee as they are just waiting to receive a candidate from the Synod.

INSTALLATION/REAFFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS & OFFICERS

On Sunday morning the Council Members and Officers for 2022 will be installed and reaffirmed. Please congratulate and express your appreciation for those who serve with such commitment and dedication to Zion on behalf of all members.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In November 2021...a total of 505 persons were served which included 139 children, 269 adults, and 97 seniors. During this pandemic time, we continue to serve clients with a pre-packed box of food items (staples, fresh produce, meat, eggs, cheese, and bread/pastry items) placed directly in their car trunk. Clients do not enter the building for their food items. Clients may visit the pantry once a week, either Monday or Wednesday; an average of 75-100 families currently visit the pantry each week. The pantry clients are very appreciative for the food assistance they receive to feed their families as they struggle to make ends meet!

2022 FLOWER, BULLETIN, AND COMMUNION ELEMENTS SPONSORS

The sign-up sheets for all three of these sponsorship opportunities next year are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex across from the mailboxes. This is a great way to help offset the cost for the church for these worship service expenses and a special way to honor, remember, and celebrate someone or an occasion! Cost is \$40 for flowers and bulletins, and \$35 for communion elements.

COMMUNION CARDS

Please be sure to fill out a communion card after you commune today in worship. If you aren't communing today but plan to before the end of the year, there will be cards available on Christmas Eve and on December 26.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM BRENDA ALIMO

I am so happy to take this special time to communicate to you! I hope the grace of the Lord is keeping you safe and covering you with the precious blood of the Lord. Back to me - I am fine and healthy. I am helping my home people to weed cassava, maze, millet, and sweet potatoes. The weather currently is hot with little rainfall. The rains are only once in a while but we still hope to get a good harvest.

Thank you so much for the nice birthday card you sent to me. I love it so much. Thank you for thinking about me. I feel so much love and I can't stop smiling and reading it! And thank you so much for the education gift you sent me of \$534 which is what paid my school fees for the whole year.

Once again, I want to thank you so much for the special love you have shown me. Without you I would be a wasted girl in the village, but with your support, I am a proud girl attending school. Through your support, my family standard of living has changed. There is nothing I can pay you back with but the best gift I can give you is prayer and protection that comes from God. Send greetings to all your church members. Tell them I love them all!

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes have been distributed into mailboxes! If you did not receive an envelope box, please contact Phil Houseal (phouseal@comcast.net).

Some important points to note:

- Some members' envelope numbers have changed for 2022. So please do not use a 2022 envelope for a 2021 offering. If you do, you risk not being credited for your contribution. Also, when we cross into the new year, please discard all unused 2021 envelopes so you don't accidentally use them in the future.
- All offerings that should be recorded in 2021 must be received at the church office by Friday, Dec. 31. If an offering is received after that date, it will be recorded in 2022.
- If you know a member who is unable to pick up their envelope box, please feel free to deliver it to them. That will help to defray the cost of mailing it to them.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Classes are typically held every Sunday morning at 10:15 a.m.

> IN THE SOCIAL ROOM

This Sunday this class will be having a Christmas Trivia game! All are invited! There will be teams and prizes! [Note: Beginning January 9, this class will meet in the Zone.]

> IN THE PARLOR

Today, this class will conclude the series of Box Office Bible Studies that feature an Advent presentation based on scenes from the Frank Capra classic starring Jimmy Stewart, "It's a Wonderful Life."

ZION MUSIK CONCERT SERIES

What a joy it was to have the Hershey Handbell Ensemble at Zion last Sunday afternoon! The Sanctuary was full of beautiful music and as you can see from the picture, it was a great turnout! We hope you will come out this afternoon to enjoy the Hempfield High School Chamber Singers' performance of their holiday concert!



2022 Zion Musik Concert Series

To help sustain the Zion Musik Concert Series at Zion Lutheran Church, consider being a sponsor. Please complete this form and place in the offering plate or mail to:

> Zion Lutheran Church Attn: Concert Series 85 East Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538

Name.
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Amount I wish to donate:
Please note the sponsorship levels from the categories below:
Diamond Sponsor \$400+
Platinum Sponsor \$300 - \$399
Gold Sponsor \$200 - \$299
Silver Sponsor \$100 - \$199
Bronze Sponsor \$50 - \$99
Copper Sponsor \$1 - \$49
In memory/honor of:

Please make checks payable to:

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Zion Lutheran Church

[Please indicate "Zion Musik" in the memo line on your check.]

Visit www.zionhempfield.net for more information about the Zion Musik Concert Series and upcoming concerts!

Concerts Scheduled in 2022

May 22 at 3:00 p.m. Pennsylvania Flute Choir

October 9 at 3:00 p.m. Rizzetta's Tones

Please consider being a Concert Series Sponsor to help sustain this ministry of the church for us and for the community!

Sponsor forms are available on the ushers' table and on the window ledge in the back hallway.

HOLIDAY EVENTS AT ZION



ADVENT/CHRISTMAS IN A BARN

December 19 7:00-8:30 p.m. At The Wittel Farm

Join us at the farm for our 4th annual Advent/Christmas night. Come gather around the outdoor fire and have cookies and cocoa in the barn.

Lights and decorations!





WINTER EVENTS AT KIRCHENWALD & NAWAKWA

Winter Fun Day

at Kirchenwald

Sunday, January 16 Sunday, February 20 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Bring your family or youth group and enjoy an afternoon on Kirchenwald's award-winning toboggan run, ice-skating on the lake, or drinking hot chocolate in the lodge.

Free-will offering accepted.

RSVP to the Camping Office at 717-677-8211.



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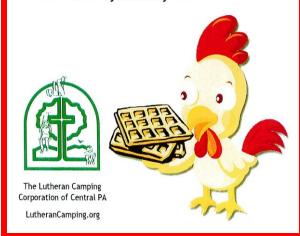
at Nawakwa

Sunday, January 16, 2022 12:00pm - 2:00ish

Spend a Sunday at camp with a delicious home-made chicken and waffles dinner. Bring your sleds if there's snow!

Free-will offering accepted.

RSVP to the Camping Office at 717-677-8211 by January 12.



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR THE WINTER FUN DAY, VISIT: HTTPS://WWW.LUTHERANCAMPING.ORG/EVENT/WINTER-FUN-DAY-FEB-2022/

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR THE CHICKEN & WAFFLES DINNER, VISIT:

HTTPS://WWW.LUTHERANCAMPING
.ORG/EVENT/CHICKEN-WAFFLES2022/

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA SPONSORS

Jess & Matt Barcaro In honor of Grant

Ed & Cindy Blough

In memory of Henry and June Duke In memory of Charlie Blough

Dave & Donna Dumeyer

In honor of our daughters and their families In memory of our parents

Diane Gerlach

In memory of Bruce Gerlach

Robin Ginther

In memory of my parents

Gloria Grube

In honor of my family

James Grube

John & Kathy Hay

In honor of our children and grandchildren

Scott & Mary Hetrick

In honor of Maria and Katie

Pat & John Hinkle

In memory of our fathers: Elwood J. King and John F. Hinkle, Sr.

The Kautter Family

In memory of Patricia Kautter

Adele & Sam King

In honor of our grandchildren: Alex, Emme, and Leia In honor of our children: Alison, Justin, and Jessica

In memory of our departed family: mothers, fathers, grandparents, and Betty

In memory of our departed friends: Jan, Sharon, Mary, and Rick

Nina Laliberte

In memory of Aunt Helen

Rick & Deb Long

In honor of our mothers: Ruth Burkett and Mary Long

In honor of our children and their spouses

In memory of our fathers: Francis Deller and Merrill Long

In memory of Rick's sister, Betsy

In honor of the birth of our Lord Jesus

Randy Miller

In memory of Mary Keiper and Donald Oeschager In honor of my family

Harry & Janet Musselman

In memory of our parents, George & Lena Miller In memory of Howard & Leone Musselman In memory of Rebecca Miller and Pat Lorah

Jan Reeves

In memory of Arlie

Dawn Reinhart and Sons: Jeffrey, Kevin, and Mark In memory of our beloved Chis

Sue & Doug Rhoads

In honor of our children, grandchildren, and Gigi

Marvin & Wenda Ruch

In memory of our parents

Cathy & Bob Shirk

In memory of Dolores Derr and Eugene & Phylis Shirk

Jo Stone

In memory of all my loved family who are no longer with us.

Brenda Stover

In memory of Lillian Stover

Bob & Judy Traup

In honor of our children, grandchildren, and Zion friends In memory of our parents: Mamie, Mary Ann and Chuck Trexel

Bob & Barb Wildasin

In memory of Bob, Helen, and Cork & George Doll In memory of Cleo, Lillian, & Harry Wildasin

Kurt Wildasin

In memory of Sarah Wildasin

Dave & Sue Wise

In memory of John and Martha Wise, Daves's parents In honor of John and Loma Slike, Sue's parents In honor of Grant Matthew Barcaro, grandson



PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Dolly OverlyDoug GrowMarvin RuchKate DonnanBarbara WilliamsDave WiseDon HeartterJoe AdamsJudie IngersollBill GroveHolly HooverSam King

Mary Zimmerman Janet & Harry Musselman Kay Crawford and the extended Crawford/Thompson family

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

Bobbi (Friend of a member)

William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)

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

Skipper Mann (Sister of Dolly Overly)

Meghan Frey (Friend of the congregation)

Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)

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

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson Lucy Davis Betty Stoner Arlene Miller

Deb McCartney Bette Geibel George Potts

Richard & Marilyn Heim

Jess, Matt, & Grant Barcaro

Jim, Kim, & Cory Paternoster

Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)

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

Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)

Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Evan Benedict Christopher Wright Chris Andrew Thom Whitesel Ryan Stitzel Doug Kautter

Justin Gorlaski Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)

Jared Shiner (Grandson of Diane Gerlach) Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

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

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

20th – Brenda Stover, Cameron Reed

21st – Todd Reed

23rd – Linda Bear, Don Wierschke

24th –Sue Wise, Holly Hoover

25th – Dave Wauls, Mary Gerlach

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers Members of the Congregation **Interim Pastor** Rev. Melody Sell John Landis Music Director Parish Administrator Anne Rankin Worship Technology Assistant David Albin Lay Ministry Assistant Diane Gerlach Council President Adele King Council Vice President David Wise Sextons Brian Bourassa (a.m.) Tom Miller (p.m.) Today's Assisting Minister Darrell Gerke

Advent Readers & Wreath Lighters

Darrell Gerke
Rick & Deb Long

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

In-Person Worship Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. Christmas Eve Worship 7:00 p.m. Livestream & Recorded Link for all services http://bit.ly/Zion Live Sundays @ 10:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School Classes (Parlor & Social Room) Church Office 717-898-2911 **Pastor** 570-916-8835 Parish Administrator 717-945-4585 Council President 610-247-1497 Office Email adminzelc@comcast.net Pastor Email prmsell2@ptd.net Council PresidentEmail adelel3@aol.com Music Director mail zionlandisvillemusic@gmail.com www.zionhempfield.net Website Facebook Zion Lutheran Hempfield Church Address 85 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538 75 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538 Office Address

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