



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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WeeklE-Newsletter: February 23

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Friday, February 23

Saturday, February 24

Social Room Reserved – 12 p.m.- 6 p.m.

Sunday, February 25 – Welcome Mike Youse from Lutheran Camping Corporation!

** The altar flowers are sponsored by Amy & Jeff Thompson in celebration of both of their birthdays! Jeff's was on the 21st and Amy's is the 25th – Today!*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Janet Musselman in memory of Harry.*

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

Livestream/Recorded Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

Social Room Reserved -- Afternoon

Monday, February 26

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday February 27

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6:30 p.m. (Classrooms, Social Room)

Wednesday, February 28

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday, February 29

Choir – 6:00 p.m.

Healing Service – 1 p.m.

Friday, March 1

Saturday, March 2

Sunday, March 3 – Welcome John Dixon from Safe Families for Children!

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

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Scout Committee Meeting – 7 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, AND EVENTS

ZION'S MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

SHARING OUR TREASURES: February Update

Our financial budget for January 2024 predicted a deficit (expenses greater than income) of \$7,802. Our actual deficit, however, was **(\$23,702)**. Although we typically anticipate being behind the eight ball early in the year, this deficit is greater than expected. A substantial portion of the deficit can be attributed to the purchase of a new server at the cost of over \$8,000 (under the Administration expense category). While an unexpected expense, and therefore unbudgeted, this purchase was absolutely necessary and essential for the day-to-day operations and functioning of the church. Other expense categories operated under budget, helping to somewhat offset this extraordinary expense.

The other substantial and disappointing portion of the deficit can be attributed to reduction in income: it was down \$17,000 from the income a year ago in January 2023. Last January, we did benefit from a \$9,500 distribution from the Betty Lou Hoffman Trust and another \$1,280 from a non-repetitive source. What this means is that \$6,000 of the deficit can be attributed to a reduction in member offerings. This is the concern.

This year there will be a Stewardship focus on **generosity**. Hopefully as the year progresses, we will receive both man-inspired and Holy Spirit-inspired guidance on how we should respond to God's generosity to us.

Then celebrate the Festival of Weeks to the Lord your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the Lord your God has given you. –Deuteronomy 16:10

ZELC CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT **January 2024**

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	15,651	15,651
Administration	10,856	10,856
Property	14,763	14,763
Stewardship: Synod & Other Benevolence	2,257	2,257
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	1,787	1,787
Total Expenses	45,314	45,314
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings & Special Giving	21,612	21,612
Other		
Total Income	21,612	21,612
Difference	(23,702)	(23,702)

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In January, the pantry served 1,800 people, including 513 children, 902 adults, and 394 seniors. In addition, 14 new families were registered. Thank you to the 46 volunteers who donated 619 hours to help at the pantry!

Requested items this month: canned tuna, canned corn, canned pears, canned red beets, cereal, 1 lb. boxes of elbow macaroni, and 1 lb. boxes of spaghetti



Sunday is the last day to give to the Joyful Noise for Anchor Lancaster to provide hot breakfasts and warm showers for the homeless. For more information, visit:
<https://www.anchorlancaster.org/>



In March, contributions will go to Bridge of Hope, an organization that serves the homeless or individuals who are risk of homelessness with rental assistance, and intensive case management as they work to achieve long term stability. For more information, visit:

<https://lancaster.bridgeofhopeinc.org>

HEALING SERVICES AT ZION DURING LENT

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 AT 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 AT 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 AT 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:15 a.m.

* The Wired Word: In the Zone and on Zoom

[Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>]

* The class that meets in the parlor will watch "Encounter Point" (2007), a documentary film that follows a former Israeli settler, a Palestinian ex-prisoner, a bereaved Israeli mother, and a wounded Palestinian bereaved brother who risk their lives and public standing to promote a nonviolent end to the conflict.

EMPTY PILL BOTTLE RECYCLING OUTREACH PROJECT

Bring in your empty, clean, unlabeled pill bottles and help improve health care in developing nations. Types of empty pill bottles that are being accepted include: prescription pill bottles, large and small pill bottles, pill bottles with and without child resistant caps, and over-the-counter pill bottles. Donations will be sent around the world and used to distribute medicine in sterile containers. This initiative is run by Matthew 25 Ministries. Place bottles in the bin in the narthex; contact Diane R. with questions.





**The Lutheran Camping Corporation
of Central Pennsylvania**
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm



Spring Quilting Retreat: March 15-17 at Kirchenwald

Come enjoy a weekend gathering of women to share fellowship and talents!

Register by March 8. Weekend: \$180; 2-Days (one overnight): \$110; Saturday: \$65 <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/womens-quilting-weekend-2024/>



Summer Camp Open Houses: March 17 & April 14

2-4:30 p.m. @ Kirchenwald and Nawakwa

Come meet some of the summer camp staff! Take a tour of the camp! Get a \$10 gift certificate for the camp store to new campers!

Kirchenwald:

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/summer-camp-open-house-kirchenwald-0324/>



Nawakwa: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/summer-camp-open-house-nawakwa-0324/>

Earth Day Celebration: April 21

2-6 p.m. @ Kirchenwald

Enjoy an afternoon of environmental activities, games, and crafts at one of God's amazing creations: Camp Kirchenwald! An evening meal is included in the \$15 fee. All ages are welcome!

R.S.V.P. to 717-677-8211 or [Lutherancamping.org](https://www.lutherancamping.org) by April 12.

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/earth-day-celebration-2024/>



Dinner Church: March 3; April 7; May 5

5 p.m. @ The Wittel Farm

Dinner Church is a community gathered around a shared meal to listen, connect, sing, pray, eat, drink, and be with God in creation. Bring some food to share.

March 3: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/dinner-church-0324/>

April 7: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/dinner-church-0424/>

May 5: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/dinner-church-0524/>



Work Days: April 27 @ Nawakwa; May 4 @ Kirchenwald

Help us get our sites ready for the summer season. Jobs available for all skill levels. Complimentary lunch for all volunteers.

Kirchenwald: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/summer-camp-open-house-kirchenwald-0424/>

Nawakwa: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/summer-camp-open-house-nawakwa-0424/>



For more information about these or other events at Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, or The Wittel Farm, visit: <https://www.lutherancamping.org>

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

Devotional booklets for March-May are now available! Pick yours up on the usher table or on the window ledge in the back hallway. Take an extra to share with someone else!



Thank you to all the musicians at Zion!

We look forward to having Cory and Doug share their talents with us this Sunday morning!

We are grateful for your ministry of music!



COMMUNITY MEAL AT ZION

*Come Join Us for a Free Meal
and to Meet Your Neighbors!*

**This Meal Will Be Held on the 2nd and 4th
Thursdays of Each Month at 5:00 P.M.**

**• Feb. 8 & 22 • March 14 & 28
• April 11 & 25 • May 9 & 23**



**Enter thru
the rear
entrance of
the church
to access the
social room**

**Follow on the Next Door app and on Zion's website
zionhempfield.net**

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 Brandt Blvd., Landisville

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If you have ideas or are planning for anything, please let the office know so we're all kept in the loop!

2024 CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

THRU THE SPRING...

February

- 25: Social Room Reserved (Afternoon)
29: Healing Service (1 p.m.)

March

- 7: Healing Service (1 p.m.)
14: Community Meal
14: Healing Service (7:30 p.m.)
24: Palm Sunday Brunch (no SS)
28: Community Meal

April

- 11: Community Meal
14: Hempfield Choir Concert
25: Community Meal

May

- 4: Liederkrantz Spring Concert
9: Community Meal
19: Pentecost Brunch (no SS)
23: Community Meal
23: Choir Festival Concert

SUMMER AND BEYOND...

Suggested June-August

(Not yet scheduled)

- 2 outdoor worship services
- Bike/Hike on trail
- Progressive dinner
- Picnic lunches
- Open to suggestions!

September

- 8: Rally Day Catered Fellowship Luncheon (no SS)

October

- 3: Picnic at Lake Grubb
20: Crop Walk

December

- 7: Women of Zion Advent Breakfast
7: Liederkrantz Christmas Concert
22: Christmas Trivia during SS hour



Kindling Faith
Center for Sabbath
Rest and Formation

A Special opportunity for lay and rostered leaders to empower congregations to work for justice.

Thursdays at noon EST on zoom: 2/15, 2/22, 2/29, 3/7. Each session is 90 minutes.

Cost is \$25.

To register, [please click here](#) or use QR code provided below:



Pillars of Sacred Justice Lenten Series

These sessions will help rostered leaders empower their congregations for the work of justice in our jobs, churches, families, and communities.

The first four Thursdays of Lent at Noon EST will include the following topics:

- ✚ Pillars of Sacred Justice.
- ✚ Helping our congregants and communities understand the mechanisms of injustice and our call to the work of justice.
- ✚ Holy imagination and equipping for the nitty gritty of justice work in the story of Esther.
- ✚ Leading by example as churches in preventing, confronting, and healing from injustice.

Series Presenter:

Sarah Driver is a writer and trainer on the work of justice with a focus on biblical grounding and practical equipping. She has worked for 25 years at local, state, and international levels on a range of justice issues from education reform and gender equality to human trafficking and spiritual abuse. She has lived and worked on four continents and holds a master's degree in social policy and development from the London School of Economics.



DAY OF RENEWAL REGISTRATION FORM

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Registration: 8:30-9:15 a.m.
(refreshments upon arrival)

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Place: St. Paul, Lititz

Cost: \$30.00 (Includes program and lunch)

Theme: "Footprints...Encounters with Jesus "

Special Offering: Lititz Warwick Community Chest
(Shelf Stable Foods, toilet paper, paper towels)

Contact for Questions: Sandy Bingham

Phone: 717-665-5265

Email: sandyi.bingaman@gmail.com

Sponsored by,

The Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Lower Susquehanna, Synodical Women's Organization

Church is handicap accessible

Following the presentation, CD's will be available in the
narthex for purchase. Also the W/ELCA, LS SWO craft table will be available.

(Please complete and mail this section of the form **postmarked by Wednesday, April 10, 2024**)

Make check payable to **LS SWO, WOMEN OF THE ELCA** and mail to:

Peggi Norman, 328 Carolle St., Greencastle , PA 17225

Questions: 717-658-7432 or email: peggi2@yahoo.com

**Acting Treasurer, Chris Todd, is unavailable to receive registration forms for this
event, so mail your check to Peggy Norman for this event only. Thanks!**

Name: _____ **Phone** _____

Address: _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____

Email address: _____

Home Church _____ **City** _____

Sandwiches

Variety of Salads

Variety Desserts



About the speaker:

Heartsongs Ministries, Inc. presents Karen Wright who is an inspirational speaker, concert artist, and actress. The Mission Statement for "Heartsongs Ministries, Inc. is dedicated to glorifying God by presenting the truth of the gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ through music, worship and the spoken word."

Karen's concerts include inspirational, contemporary, gospel and well loved hymns.

She often includes moments of dramatic storytelling to bring even greater meaning to the music. Her style is warm, humorous and completely engaging.

Karen has created inspiring presentations based on the lives of Biblical & Historical Women of Faith.

Karen is probably best known for one of her many lead roles at Sight and Sound's Millennium Theatre as Mrs. Noah in the renowned production, Noah, in Lancaster. During her time with Sight and Sound, Karen performed to audiences of over 6,000 on a daily basis, but her heart's desire is to reach out to people on a more personal basis with the hope and peace found in Jesus Christ. Her inspirational speaking combined with singing and storytelling has taken her all over the United States, Italy, Germany, South America, Asia and Israel.



COBYS FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION PRESENTS

PARENTING WORKSHOPS

For Parents, Kinship Caregivers and Resource & Adoptive Parents



CO-DEPENDENCY AND CONNECTION: RELATING TO THE PARENT(S) OF THE CHILDREN UNDER YOUR CARE

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM**

**FREE TO ALL PARENTS &
CAREGIVERS**

LED BY KAY BELA, THERAPIST & WELLNESS COACH

Learn how to understand, connect, and relate to the parents of the children who are under your care. Discussion will revolve around codependence, enabling, boundaries, and communication with the adult children or parent(s) involved who may be incarcerated, in rehab, or elsewhere.

USING SENSORY CHANGES TO EMPOWER CHILDREN TO LEARN SELF-REGULATION

JOIN US VIA ZOOM

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM**

LED BY REBECCA KING, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

Discussion led by a resource mom/occupational therapist on how sensory activities, diet, and lifestyle can be used to help children learn to self-regulate and empower themselves.

MINDFULNESS WITH YOUR CHILD

**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM**

TO REGISTER:



LED BY MELISSA TERCH, SCHOOL COUNSELOR

What is mindfulness and how can it benefit your child? Learn practical techniques and activities that you and your child can do together!

MINDFUL SELF-COMPASSION FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

CERTIFICATES FOR TRAINING HOURS
ARE AVAILABLE

**THURSDAY, JUNE 20
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM**

LED BY LESLEY A. HUFF, PSYD

Eleanor Brown wisely stated, "You cannot serve from an empty vessel." Caring for others requires us to include ourselves. Join us for hands-on practices to learn how to stay present while caring for others, how to treat ourselves as kindly as we would treat a friend, and how this self-care is directly connected to the quality of care and connection we are able to offer.

To register for these FREE workshops, please visit

<https://cobys.org/family-support/programs-offered>



COBYS Family Life
Education Department
444 Murry Hill Circle
Lancaster, PA 17601

Questions? Please contact education@cobys.org or call 717-435-8139

Services provided by funding through Lancaster County CYA, Schuylkill County CYS, and the Lancaster County Drug and Alcohol Commission.

PRAYER LIST
FOR HEALING

Dave Wauls
Dick Olson
Cindy Blough
Bob Shirk
Jess Barcaro
Sam King
Bill Grove
Connie Alsedek
Joe Adams
Mary Zimmerman
Marvin Ruch
Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll
Holly Hoover
Barb Williams
Kay Crawford
Tom Grzybowski
Dolly Overly
John Hay
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)
Ed Illick (Husband of Pastor Pam Illick)
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)
Renee Willamon (Friend of Pat Landis)
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)
Isaac Miller (Great nephew of Judy & Bob Traup)
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson; Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)
Rev. David Klepper (Father of Dave Klepper and friend of the congregation)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson
Lucy Davis
George Potts
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Deb Grube and the extended family on the death of her father, William Hartman
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)
Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

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)
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION & REMEMBRANCE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

23rd – Doug Rhoads 26th – Tucker Wright
24th – Jesse Landis 27th – Brad Sherwood, Juliette Moore
25th -- Amy Thompson, Kacey Moore 3rd – Rick Rainar

MINISTRY LEADERS

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

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream & Recorded Link	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw
Bible Study Video Series Class (Parlor)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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