

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

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## **WeeklE-Newsletter: October 20**

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

Friday, October 20

Saturday, October 21

Concert: "Outside the Loft" – 2 p.m. (Sanctuary)

## Sunday, October 22 – Pastor Tim on vacation. Welcome Rev. Klepper!

- \* The flowers are sponsored by Sam & Adele King in honor of their grandchildren's October birthdays: Jessica, Alison, and Justin.
- \* The bulletins are sponsored by Jo Stone in memory of her sister, Janice Rubin.
- \* The communion elements are sponsored by Lisa Nelson in memory of her mother, Grace Rohrbach's birthday.

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 ("Israel's Mission") – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266

### Monday, October 23

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

Council – 7 p.m. (Zone)

### Tuesday, October 24

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Social Outreach – 6 p.m. (HotZ Pizza)

Scouts – 6:30 - 8 p.m. (Scout Room. Classrooms, & Social Room)

### Wednesday, October 25

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

## Thursday, October 26

Community Meal -5 p.m. (Social Room)

Choir – 6:00 p.m. (Choir Room)

## Friday, October 27

## Saturday, October 28

Model Club – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

## Sunday, October 29 – Pastor Jorgenson Preaching; Baptism of Madilyn Kline

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

**WELCOME** back Rev. Klepper! Rev. Klepper will be the guest pastor on Sunday, October 22!



### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for all the donations! We are grateful for all of them! If you are interested in donating items, requested items include: *cereal, canned butter beans, canned carrots, canned mixed vegetables, macaroni, Mac & Cheese, large jars of spaghetti sauce (preferably plastic jars).* 

### MISSION PROJECT

Interested in participating in a work project in Columbia through Habitat for Humanity? There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board to indicate your preferred dates. Contact Randy M. (randymiller107@comcast.net) with questions!



### **COMFORTER MINISTRY**

The Comforter Ministry is collecting colorful clean sheets and fabric! Please place any donations in the blue bin in the narthex!



Please either email the church office or write in the black book on the podium in the narthex the names of friends and family who have died since last

November so they can be included in the special remembrance during worship on All Saints Day, Sunday, November 5. Please note their full name and the date of their death.

ALSO, please bring in a picture(s) this Sunday or next of anyone who has died and has had an influence on your spiritual life. Pictures will be displayed by the sanctuary windows on All Saints Day. Please give all pictures to Donna D.



On All Saints Sunday, November 5, you are invited to bring a photo of someone, now in the Church Triumvirate, who influenced you in your faith.

Here is Dr. Philip Ode, Pastor Tim's academic advisor and biology professor at Thiel College, who modeled how to practice faith and science simultaneously.



The annual meeting this year will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 19</u> following the worship service.

The budget information session will be held in the sanctuary on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 5</u> during the Sunday School hour at the conclusion of worship. Copies of the proposed budget are on the ushers' table at the entrance to the sanctuary. The official announcement about these

meetings has been emailed and printed copies of it are available on the ushers' table in the narthex, along with copies of the proposed budget for you to review prior to the informational meeting.

**Regarding Sunday School on 11/5 and 11/19:** Classes <u>will</u> still meet on both of these days but will begin after each meeting ends and will not go longer than the normal time.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ZION

All are welcome to join a Sunday School class!

- ➤ The Wired Word class typically meets in person and on Zoom. However, there will be no Zoom option on 10/29, 11/5, and 11/19.
- ➤ The class that meets in the parlor is beginning a new series on "Israel's Mission," a Ray Van der Laan video travelogue series.

Questions? Contact Sue Wise (<a href="mailto:swoogle53@aol.com">swoogle53@aol.com</a>) or Barb Gerke (<a href="mailto:bmgerke@gmail.com">bmgerke@gmail.com</a>) about the Wired Word, and Dave Dumeyer (<a href="mailto:davedumeyer@gmail.com">davedumeyer@gmail.com</a>)

or Dave Albin (nagredmoonstriker@gmail.com) about the class in the parlor.





## WOMEN OF ZION ADVENT BREAKFAST



All women are invited to an Advent breakfast on Saturday, December 2 at 10 a.m. The breakfast will be held at Centerville Diner 2 in Mount Joy (formerly Country Table). All women are invited to begin the season of Advent with food, fun, and fellowship! If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a \$3.00 wrapped gift! Friends are welcome, too! Please sign up on the sheet posted in the Narthex across from the

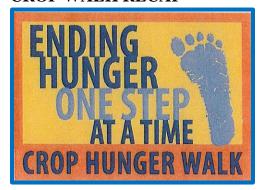
mailboxes by Sunday, November 26. Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).



The Joyful Noise offering this month will go to the CROP Walk. Even though the Walk was last Sunday, you can still give to Team Zion online:

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/zion-lutheran-church-landisville

## **CROP WALK RECAP**



Thank you to Team Zion and all who participated by donating to support CROP last Sunday! It was a beautiful day to walk to help fight hunger locally and around the world.

If you want to still donate, the online link will be up through the end of the year:

 $\underline{https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/zionlutheran-church-landisville}$ 



Team Zion: Scott & Mary Hetrick, Ed Blough, Randy Miller, Gabby, Pastor Tim, Jordan Genetos (Randy's neighbor), and Bob Wildasin



Contact John L. with questions or if you would like to be a sponsor for this year's concerts!

johnplandis@gmail.com
717-875-6182

## OCT. 21 CONCERT: OUTSIDE THE LOFT



Outside The Loft is a trio of talented musicians who have spent many years performing church music in the York area but have branched out to offer secular music as well. Van Hoffman (vocals & saxophone), Beverly Spangler (vocals & keyboard), and Mark Raubenstine (vocals & guitar) will present a mix of Contemporary Christian Music as well as recognizable cover songs,

dating back to the Folk Music of the 60's through the current day sounds of Acoustic Soft Rock. They enjoy blending their harmonies for their audiences, no matter the music genre. From Simon & Garfunkel and Peter, Paul & Mary to Casting Crowns and Grammy nominated songwriter Sarah Hart, the group will deliver joyful harmonies for your listening pleasure. Contact John Marrs with questions (717-818-5509).



### The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

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# Fall Foliage Day

at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa

# Kirchenwald

Sunday, October 29
Pumpkin Painting
Canoeing / Kayaking
Mountain Biking
Hiking

# Nawakwa

Sunday, October 22
Pumpkin Painting

Hayrides
Hiking
And More!





Bring your family and friends to camp for a fall afternoon! Both events will run from 1-6pm.

An evening meal will be provided.

Registration is \$15/person (4 & under free).

# FALL CAMPFIRE @ THE WITTEL FARM

October 29
7:00-8:30 p.m.
Join us around the campfire circle for songs, stories, and s'mores!



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

# Annual Quilt Auction Sunday, November 5, 2023

TO BE HELD AT CAMP NAWAKWA

1033 NAWAKWA ROAD, BIGLERVILLE, PA 17307

FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

BID ONLINE THE WEEK BEFORE!

2:00 - Silent Auction of Handmade Craft Items

3:00 - Live Auction of Quilts

**Dinner following Live Auction** 

All proceeds from the day benefit the Endowment Fund, making camping possible for generations to come!

Please register for the in-person event by November 1.

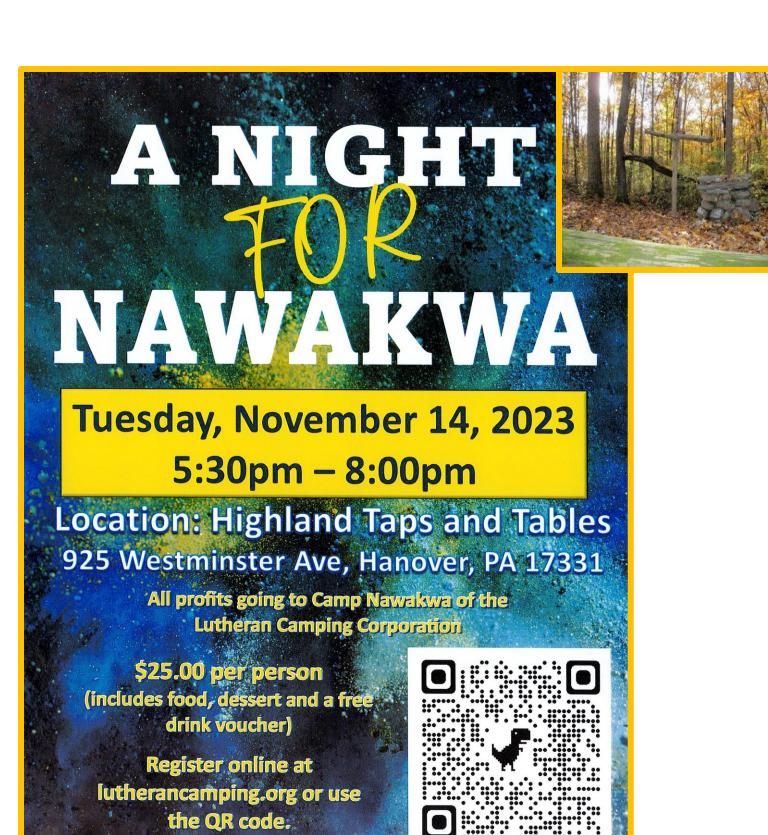
This is a free

event, and includes an evening meal.



Preview Quilts & Items and Bid Online at LutheranCamping.org/quiltauction The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

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### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

In anticipation of the proposed 2024 church budget and the annual congregational meeting (on November 19), the Stewardship Team shares an update about Zion's *VITALization*!

## **SHARING OUR TREASURES**

In his Stewardship *VITALization* Temple Talk on Sunday, October 15, Al Ramer referenced the condensed financial report that will be in the bulletin and e-newsletter each month. This report is a condensed version of the financial report that is presented at the monthly finance team and council meetings. It consolidates and reduces the expense categories to five, making it easier to read and understand. The report shows the amount that was spent on *what* (the expenses), and *how much* the congregation contributed to cover these expenses (the income). In other words, the report shows how contributions were used to support Zion's work through the mission and the ministries that express our love for God and our neighbors near and far. The first of these condensed financial reports is the September report provided at the end of this update.

**THANK YOU** to all who have generously shared their financial resources with Zion! God has so abundantly blessed us all and Zion is grateful for your blessings to the church. Your gifts make the Zion "experience" possible *within* our church family and *beyond* to the community and world around us.

## **HOW YOUR GIFTS ARE USED**

Salaries & Benefits: Your gifts support our church staff! Your pastor provides spiritual pastoral leadership through word and sacrament. Administrative leadership provides vital communication, office maintenance, and organizational coordination. All of these aspects of church operation facilitate the smooth functioning of the many parts of the life of the congregation. Music leadership enhances and enriches our worship services through voice, instruments, and special concerts. The sextons keep Zion's facilities and property clean and well-maintained.

**Administration:** Your gifts cover the costs related to technology, equipment, and supplies used to operate the office and the services it provides.

**Property:** Your gifts pay to heat, light, insure, repair, and maintain Zion's building and property to ensure its integrity, safety, and longevity.

Stewardship to the Synod & Other Benevolence: In addition to expressing God's love by sharing your generous gifts directly with the many organizations listed on the narthex bulletin board, Zion also contributes gifts to the Lower Susquehanna Synod. Our relationship with the Synod ensures us with resources, and ministry and consultation

services to complement what we do. The Synod also uses these gifts for various ministries locally, as well as other humanitarian and relief causes in the United States and throughout the world.

Worship & Music, Ministry Teams, & Other: This category covers all other areas of expense that your gifts support. Some of these areas are related to the worship service including music supplies and adornments, as well as to the ministry teams and activities that contribute to ministry and mission of the church.

## LOOKING AT THE PRESENT AND INTO THE FUTURE

As you can see, the condensed budget reflects year-to-date expenses through the end of September and that they exceed our income by \$88,317. Based on the trends through this year and from previous years, the finance team's projection at this point is that our expenses will exceed our income by approximately \$30,000 by the end of December.

Fortunately, we are blessed with carry-over cash from previous years (including last year), earnings from our endowment, and remaining funds from the very generous Betty Lou Hoffman bequest. In addition, we can take some solace in knowing that historically our giving typically increases during the last quarter of the year. We prayerfully trust that will be the case again this year. All of these factors will, as they have in past years, reduce the shortfall at the end of the year.

On October 20, Zion's proposed operating budget for 2024 will be provided to members of the congregation. It will be emailed and paper copies will be available at the church. An information session of the budget will be held at the end of the service on Sunday, November 5. This will be a time to review the proposed budget and to ask questions about it. The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, November 19 when a vote will be taken to approve it.

Please give thoughtful and prayerful consideration on how <u>you</u> will respond to God's bountiful blessings in <u>your</u> life when deciding how—and how much—to continue sharing those gifts to support His work at Zion now and in the future!



# CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

	September 2023	
<u>Expenses</u>	Month \$	Year-to-Date \$
Salaries & Benefits	14,895	138,980
Administration (Office Related Equip & Supplies)	1,450	15,385
Property	4,198	93,645
Stewardshp: Synod & Other Benevolence	1,917	18,103
Worship & Music, Other Ministry Teams	2,015	9,695
Total Expenses	24,475	275,808
Income		
Offerings & Special Giving	15,208	187,491
Total Income	15,208	187,491
Difference: Income Greater (Less) Than Exp	(9,267)	(88,317)





# IN CASE YOU MISSED AL RAMER'S TEMPLE TALK ABOUT TREASURE VITALIZATON LAST SUNDAY, THIS IS WHAT HE SHARED:

## <u>Treasure VITALization Initiative Temple Talk</u>

When I addressed you in August to introduce the Treasure VITALization Initiative, I mentioned that Dave Wise has been working with the finance team to provide a condensed year-to-date financial report. It is included in the bulletin. Our plan is to provide one each month as we move forward. My thanks to Dave and the financial team for all their time in developing the condensed financial report.

Based on the giving during the last quarter of 2022 and projecting to this year, we will fall short of the anticipated expenses by around \$30,000. Offerings have normally been less than expenses. Fortunately, we are blessed with carry-over cash from previous years, earnings from our endowment, and remaining funds from the Betty Lou Hoffman bequest. Considering our available funds for this year, we are in good shape financially. We will meet our expenses as we move forward to 2024.

But think of the difference we could make in serving the greater community if our future offerings met or exceeded our expenses. In that case, we could use the endowment earnings, cash in the bank, and Hoffman funds to expand our ministry.

We are all familiar with how Christ took two fish and five loaves to feed thousands. If we think of our giving in terms of "fish and loaves", each of us giving additional fish or loaves each month means that we could meet or exceed our yearly expenses. Fish and loaves come in all sizes so our giving can and should be different for each of us. If we met our expenses with our offerings and used the other available funds to increase our donations to the fourteen organizations to which we donated this year. This would increase our evangelism efforts to bring new members to the congregation. Think of the differences we could make!

Christ fed thousands with a small offering. Think of what could happen with our extra offerings. Please read and study "Sharing Our Treasures" (above) and look at the bulletin board by the front entrance of the church. The illustration there shows that all of our blessings are gifts from God. Christ multiplied a small offering, and we can trust that our gifts will also be multiplied when we offer our treasure back in God-pleasing ways.

# PRAYER LIST FOR HEALING

Dolly Overly

**Bob Shirk** 

Tom Grzybowski

Jess Barcaro

Sam King

Bill Grove

Connie Alsedek

Joe Adams

Mary Zimmerman

Marvin Ruch

Kate Donnan

Judie Ingersoll

Joan Mays

Holly Hoover

Barb Williams

Kay Crawford

Tom Miller

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)

Walter Thalgott (Brother of Thelma Pearson)

Lori Weber (Daughter of Dolly Overly)

William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)

Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)

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)

## FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson

Lucy Davis

Deb McCartney

George Potts

Janet Musselman and family

Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)

Karen Wright and Stephanie and Chris and their families

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

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

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

23<sup>rd</sup> – Nevin Lontz 27<sup>th</sup> – Suzanne Reed 28<sup>th</sup> – Mary Hoover

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## MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers Members of the Congregation **Pastor** Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown Guest Pastor on 10/22 Rev. David Klepper John Landis Music Director 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

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. Worship Livestream & Recorded Link http://bit.ly/Zion\_Live Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. Bible Study Video Series Class (Parlor) Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266

[No Zoom this Sunday and 10/29]

Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m. Morning Bible Study Church Office 717-898-2911 **Pastor** 717-332-4216 Parish Administrator 717-945-4585 Council President 717-342-3796

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