



# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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## **WeeklE-Newsletter: September 3**

### **COMING UP AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH**

#### **Sunday, September 5 – Outdoor Service**

\* The altar flowers are sponsored by Ron & Kay Crawford in loving memory of Jennifer.

\* The communion elements are sponsored by Cathy & Bob Shirk in celebration of their anniversary which was on September 1.

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. [No Livestream]

No Adult Sunday School [Will resume next Sunday (9/12)]

#### **Monday, September 6 – Labor Day**

Food Pantry Closed

Office Closed

#### **Tuesday, September 7**

Bible Study – 9 – 10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

W&M – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Wednesday, September 8**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Matinee at the Zone – 1:30 p.m. (*Support Your Local Sheriff*)

#### **Thursday, September 9**

Community Meal – 5:30-6:00 p.m. (Drive-Thru)

#### **Friday, September 10**

Bridge – 1:00-4:00 p.m. (Zone)

#### **Saturday, September 11**

Mary Grzybowski Memorial Visitation & Memorial Service – 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.

#### **Sunday, September 12 – Rally Day/50+ Member Recognition**

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

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

Link: [http://bit.ly/Zion\\_Live](http://bit.ly/Zion_Live)

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

CROP Walk Rally – 2:00 p.m. (Lancaster County Food Hub)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS**

## **AN UPDATE FROM MARY HETRICK**

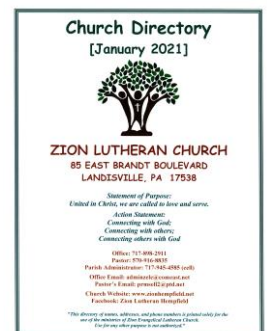


After taking a summer hiatus for the months of July and August, the Community Meal will resume this Thursday, September 9. The drive-thru format will continue, at least through this year. Advertisements that the meal is resuming have gone out via fliers in the Hempfield Food

Pantry client food boxes and posts on the Next-Door website. At this time, there are three open dates remaining for 2021. Looking to fill those dates, letters have been sent to school groups and other organizations. The first meal that Zion will be providing is October 14. If a community group doesn't sponsor the October 7 meal, Zion may have to step up and provide that meal as well. Watch for emails coming in September to sign up to volunteers to help with this meal(s). Thank you in advance for your help with this ministry to our local community.

## **TIME TO UPDATE THE CHURCH DIRECTORY**

As we begin the new program year in the church, we will also be printing an updated church directory. Please review and make any changes to your contact information listed in the current directory. The directory can be found on the ushers' table in the Narthex; please leave it there so it is there when others go to look for it!



## **PRAISE BAND**



The praise band will be back at Zion on September 19th! Please contact John if you are interested in singing or being a part of the band -- we are still looking for a lead guitarist!

## **STAY TUNED**

Similar to how the baby grand piano was purchased earlier this year to improve the quality of music in worship, a new electronic keyboard will also be purchased in the near future. This instrument will be an upgrade to the current keyboard, lending itself to a wider range of musical sounds and complementing some of the songs sung in services. If you would like to contribute, please note in the memo line "keyboard purchase."



## **50+-YEAR MEMBER RECOGNITION**

Members who have been at Zion for 50 or more years will be recognized next Sunday, September 12! Come to worship and celebrate these 30+ long-time members committed to the life of the church!



## COMFORTER MINISTRY

Summer is just about over! Fall is almost here! Time to get together! The Comforter Ministry will resume meeting to make comforters on **Monday, September 13, 9-11 a.m.** Hopefully you will be able to join us in the kitchen that day. Invite someone to come with you! There are 2 comforters ready to pin and knot. (If you can't make the 9/13 date, plan to join the group on October 4.)



## BLESSING OF THE BLANKETS

The comforters that the Comforter Ministry will be working on & finishing when they resume in a couple of weeks will be blessed in worship on Sunday, October 3.

## OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

The September-November devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table in the Narthex and on the window ledge in the back hallway. Help yourself!



## PICNIC IN THE PARK

It has been a summer full of wonderful picnics at Rapho Twp. Community Park! The next picnic will be on September 30.



*The 8/26 Gathering*

## OUTREACH PROJECT - "PERSONAL CARE KITS"

Items for Lutheran World Relief will be collected through September. When you have everything on the list, place your bag in the collection bin across from the mailboxes. You do not have to purchase soap. You may take 2 cakes from the red box (beside the bin) to include in your bag if you haven't purchased soap already. The list of specific items required for each kit is available on the ushers' table in the Narthex and on the window ledge in the back hallway. We will assemble the kits on Saturday, October 2 in the morning. Contact Millie with questions: 717-897-2313.



**Lutheran World Relief**  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.



## MATINEE AT THE ZONE: *THIS WEDNESDAY!*



The next Matinee at the Zone will be this Wednesday, September 8, at 1:30. The feature is a western comedy, *Support Your Local Sheriff*, starring James Garner, Joan Hackett, and Walter Brennan. Others include Harry Morgan, Bruce Dern, and Jack Elam. The movie was released in 1969.

A traveler with a quick draw and sense of humor becomes sheriff of an unruly town in the midst of a gold rush. His efforts to bring law and order meet resistance at first. In the end he wins a sweetheart and respect.

The film is rated G and runs 93 minutes. We hope to see you at the Zone next Wednesday. Bring snacks to share.

## CROP WALK RALLY

It's coming up on that time of year again! Last year, Zion had an amazing turnout and collection of donations for the CROP Walk...let's get geared up for another successful Walk this fall. Whether you walked before or not, everyone is invited to a Walk Rally next September 12 at 2:00 p.m. at the Lancaster Food Hub (812 N. Queen St., Lancaster). T-Shirts will be given out to those who walked last year and there will be special presentations from the Director of Church World Service and the Lancaster Food Hub. There will also be tours available of the Hub. Refreshments will be provided. STAY TUNED for more information about the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk which will be held on October 17.



## JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTION

Beginning today and through the rest of September, this outreach offering will go to Habitat for Humanity. The labeled bucket in which you can place your offering can be found on the table.



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

There will be no class on Sunday; class will resume next Sunday, September 12 following worship around 10:15 a.m. in the Parlor.

## SEPTEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

If you didn't get a September calendar last week, printed copies are available on the information table. An electronic version was emailed on August 27.





**LANCASTER INTERCHURCH PEACE WITNESS EVENT**

**Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness  
is honored to present**

# **Immigration on the Southern Border: What the Church Should Know**

**September 19, 4:00 pm  
St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church  
10 Delp Rd., Lancaster**



**Saulo Padilla of the Mennonite Central Committee's  
National Immigration Education Program will share his  
first-hand knowledge and experience about an issue that has  
been a challenge and concern for the church, elected officials,  
immigration officials, and border communities for decades.**


**Join us for what promises to be an interesting and  
enlightening discussion!**

**Questions? Contact Barry Stoner at 717-821-8026**





## UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE PARISH RESOURCE CENTER



# Historic Churches of Lancaster City

## Bus Tour

Sept. 22, 8:15 am - 2:15 pm  
Led by Bob Frick

For more information, and to register, visit: <https://parishresourcecenter.org/events/historic-churches-of-lancaster-city/>



## BECOMING YOUR BEST SELF: INTRO TO THE ENNEAGRAM

Sept. 25, 2021  
9 am - 4 pm



Ellen Kanagy, LCSW  
Rhonda Myers, LPC



For more information, and to register, visit:  
<https://parishresourcecenter.org/events/becoming-your-best-self-introduction-to-the-enneagram/>

## The Path Between Us Conference



the Enneagram and  
Healthy Relationships

Oct. 8, 6pm-9pm  
Oct. 9, 9am-5pm



with Suzanne Stabile

For more information, and to register, visit:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-path-between-us-enneagram-conference-with-suzanne-stabile-tickets-66948034373>



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2160 Lincoln Highway East #18  
Lancaster, PA 17602; 717-299-1113

## LUTHERAN CAMPING EVENTS COMING UP

### THE GROWING PROJECT



Volunteer for The Growing Project through October at The Wittel Farm! This project reclaims a portion of the acreage for farming. The crops harvested are donated to assist those in need in Lancaster County. To volunteer as an individual, or a multi-generational group, youth group or family, contact Pastor Matt Lenahan at [pastormattl@dejazzd.com](mailto:pastormattl@dejazzd.com).



### CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR

October 3; 3-5:30 p.m. @ Kirchenwald [Free]

Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance. Invite your friends and family – of all ages! - to join you in this Capture the Flag event. Campfire worship to follow.

### ADULT STUDY RETREAT


**Adult  
Book Study  
Retreat**

ON THE BOOK

*Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a  
Family and Culture in Crisis*  
by J.D. Vance

**October 5-7, 2021**  
----- at Nawakwa -----

*\*Please RSVP by September 24\**



October 5-7 @ Nawakwa [\$150/person]

All meals (7) are included in the price and served at the Dining Hall. This mid-week retreat begins Tuesday morning and ends with lunch on Thursday. Lodging in Zinn-Tozer Lodge.



### FALL FOLIAGE DAYS

October 24; 1-6 p.m. @ Kirchenwald and Nawakwa



Come to camp for the afternoon to enjoy fall activities, worship, and a picnic supper. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet up with old friends or introduce new folks to camp. An evening meal is included.



***For More Information About Upcoming Events & To Register, go to:***  
***<https://www.lutherancamping.org/upcoming-events/>***



## **FROM THE CALL COMMITTEE**

Just a note to let you know that your Call Committee is still active.

Although we have not met with any candidates since the last update, and do not currently have any forthcoming, we do have some positive news. The committee met with Bishop Dunlop and Assistant to the Bishop Martini last week. They were kind enough to come to Zion. Pastor Martini is the Synod representative who we have been working with during this call process.

The meeting was very productive and they are both very personable. They assured us that Zion is a priority and will continue to be. We discussed the call process in general, Zion's process, and some of the related factors. It is a fact that the number of pastors who are seeking a call is in short supply. This is true not only in our Synod, but the larger Lutheran church as well. A positive note is that the Lower Susquehanna Synod seems to be a desirable destination for pastors seeking a call. Another factor affecting the supply is that many pastors are reluctant to leave their current congregation as we hopefully begin to recover from the pandemic, despite this recent surge. This is certainly understandable.

During the next several weeks, the committee will meet to update some of the information in Zion's profile that has changed since it was written. Meanwhile, the committee continues to be prayerfully hopeful that our diligence and patience, along with Synod support, will culminate in attracting a new spiritual leader for Zion.

## **PRAYER LIST** **FOR HEALING**

Shirley Cates  
Doug Grow  
Marvin Ruch  
Kate Donnan  
Barbara Williams  
Dave Wise  
Don Heartter  
Joe Adams  
Judie Ingersoll  
Bill Grove  
Kay Crawford  
Holly Hoover  
Sam King  
Pastor JMe Lowden  
Janet & Harry Musselman  
Mary Zimmerman  
Ashley LaFata & Mike Walker (Bill & Julia Grove's Granddaughter & Husband)  
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)  
Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)  
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)  
Bobbi (Friend of a member)  
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  
Richard & Marilyn Heim  
George Potts  
Jess, Matt, & Grant Barcaro  
Jim, Kim, & Cory Paternoster  
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)  
Brenda Alimo (Zion's Sponsored Child)  
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!**

6 – Katharine Donnan  
7 – Justin Propst

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

5 – Todd & Cathy Benedict

## **MINISTRY LEADERS**

Ministers  
Interim Pastor  
Music Director  
Parish Administrator  
Worship Technology Assistant  
Lay Ministry Assistant  
Council President  
Council Vice President  
Sextons

Members of the Congregation  
Rev. Melody Sell  
John Landis  
Anne Rankin  
David Albin  
Diane Gerlach  
Adele King  
David Wise  
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)  
Tom Miller (p.m.)

## **WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION**

Worship will be held outdoors on 9/5 @ 9:00 a.m. (No livestream)

Typical In-Person Worship Time

Livestream & Recorded Worship Link (9:00 a.m.)

Sunday School Class (Parlor)

Church Office

Pastor

Parish Administrator

Council President

Office Email

Pastor Email

Council President Email

Music Director mail

Website

Facebook

Church Address

Office Address

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.

[http://bit.ly/Zion\\_Live](http://bit.ly/Zion_Live)

Sundays (Except 9/5) @ 10:00 a.m.

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