# The Fourth Sunday of Easter A Service of Word & Sacrament April 25, 2021



# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 85 E. Brandt Boulevard Landisville, PA

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

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**WELCOME TO ZION!** We are glad you have chosen to worship with us with in-person or online this morning! For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, they are available on the table in the Narthex by the entrance to the Sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). Should you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with Pastor Sell.

# **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION**

IN-PERSON: All are invited to join us for worship at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning.

**ONLINE:** Worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: <u>http://bit.ly/Zion\_Live</u>. If you are unable or prefer not to watch during the live-stream, the recording is available to view any time after the service concludes.

# FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- Please social distance at all times and sanitize your hands using the hand sanitizer units located on the walls in the hallways, Connection Zone, and Social Room.
- Please wear masks at all times.
- During the songs and music, you are invited to hum along. Please refrain from singing.
- ✤ A no-touch temperature screening is required by all who enter the church prior to worship.
- Only one individual may be in restrooms at a time. Please follow the signs on the restroom doors.
- Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. Currently, nursery care is not available.
- Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating and to the offering plates.

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P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Lutheran worship has always been Bible centered. For the next several weeks, you will see Bible verses referencing the locations of phrases we use in the liturgy. For example, the traditional confession may be found in I John 1:8-9, John 20:22-23, Ephesians 2:4-5, and Ephesians 3:16-17. A more detailed list of Biblical references may be found in Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW – red book hymnal page 1154f). You will see some of these biblical references noted throughout the service.

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

#### **CHIMES & CONTEMPLATIVE MUSIC**

The playing of the chimes & soft music marks the beginning of a prayerful quiet time prior to the start of the service. This is a time to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

#### **† THE GATHERING †**

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** *Prelude on "Brother James' Air"* 

Searle Wright

Please stand if you are able.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (Matthew 28:19)

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### HYMN

#### The Lord's My Shepherd

ELW 778

You are invited to hum along.

 The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want. he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

 My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake;
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

4. My table thou hast richly spread in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be; and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650

#### **GREETING** (II Corinthians 13:14)

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray. O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

*Please be seated.* 

#### **† THE WORD †**

#### FIRST READING

Acts 4:5-12

A: <sup>5</sup>The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the highpriestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

#### PSALM 23

Please read in unison.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

- <sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

# SECOND READING

# 1 John 3:16-24

A: <sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

#### CHILDREN'S CHAT

Pastor Sell

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**Thine is the GloryELW 376You are invited to hum along and pray the words as we prepare to listen to the Word.

Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb! Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting!

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939

Please stand if you are able.

#### GOSPEL

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>11</sup>"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

- P: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

#### MESSAGE

John 10:11-18

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Amazing Grace

Please stand if you are able.

#### NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL** (*I Timothy 2:1-2*)

A: Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

Loving Shepherd, you know your own and your own know you. Your voice calls us to your loving embrace. Strengthen your church throughout the world that we bear witness to your expansive love. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Gracious Shepherd, you are generous with the gifts of goodness and mercy. Restore your creation to wholeness so that cities and towns, countryside and wilderness, may abound with life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Hope-giving Shepherd, the nations and peoples are your heritage. Place into the hearts of all leaders and rulers the passion to serve. Crucify any desire to overpower others and give leaders joy in lifting up the lowly. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

Abiding Shepherd, your love flows as we reach out to those around us. Move us with your Spirit, so that we lay down our lives for those in need. Help us love one another in truth and action. Hear us, O God.

#### Your mercy is great.

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Saving Shepherd, you restore us to wholeness. Help our community in our life together and give us vigor as a people of faith. In the midst of challenges and opportunities, fill us anew with you Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

Eternal Shepherd, you hold us securely in your loving hands. In the assurance of resurrection hope, we remember our loved ones who have died in you. Bring us, with them, to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

P: Additional petitions may be inserted.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your neverending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P: The peace of Christ be with you.
- C: And also with you.

#### **† THE MEAL †**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### SETTING OF THE TABLE

**OFFERING SONG** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is You are invited to hum along.* 

1. The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

6. And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

- A: Let us pray. God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

#### The Dialogue

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## The Preface

- P: It is indeed right and our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn with these words:
- C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, (*Revelation 4:8*) Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. (*Isaiah 6:3*) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (*Luke 19:38*) Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. (*John 12:13*)

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

(*Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-25; I Corinthians 11:23-26*) In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.* 

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.* 

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ in the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace and love.
- C: Come, Lord Jesus.
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and Holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER (Luke 11:1-4)

- P: We pray together.
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.
- C: Amen.

Please be seated.

# PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

The congregation opens the wafer packet.

- P: The body of Christ given for you.
- C: Amen.

The congregation opens the cup.

- P: The blood of Christ shed for you.
- C: Amen.

Please place communion cups & wrappers in the trash as you exit the Sanctuary.

# **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A: Let us pray. Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Please stand if you are able.

#### **† THE SENDING †**

#### **MUSICAL BENEDICTION**

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Traditional Irish Hymn Melody and G. F. Handel

#### BLESSING

- P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C: Amen.

SENDING SONG	Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us	ELW 789
You are invited to hum	along.	
	1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us much we need your tender care.	
	In your pleasant pastures feed us for our use your fold prepare.	,
	Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours	5.
	Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours	S.
	2. We are yours; in love befriend u be the guardian of our way;	18,
	keep your flock, from sin defend u seek us when we go astray.	18,
	Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.	
	Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.	
		Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847

DISMISSAL (Matthew 28:19; John 20:21)

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!
- P: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
- C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

When Morning Gilds the Skies

arr. Robert A. Hobby

Please remain seated through the postlude. In order to maintain physical distancing safety protocol, the ushers will dismiss you at the conclusion of the service.

# **IMAGES IN THE READINGS**

To deepen our contemplation of the metaphor of Christ as **shepherd**, it is good to review the positive use that the Bible makes of the image of sheep. The Hebrew Scriptures tell of the nomadic life of sheep and goat herders. Sheep signified the communal life of the people, constituted a source of food and clothing, and functioned as the primary sacrificial gifts to God. The single wandering lamb from Luke's parable of the lost sheep is not the image in John 10; nor does the Bible describe sheep as being dirty; nor is a barefooted white-robed man a realistic depiction of the shepherd, who by the first century was thought of as lower class and religiously unclean. Yet on the wall of the third-century baptismal room in Dura, Christ the shepherd is leading the sheep to the font. In Genesis 29, Rachel is a shepherd.

In Psalm 118 we can trace the career of a metaphor. At its origins, to celebrate an ancient military victory, this communal song likened Israel to a stone, once rejected, but now the **cornerstone**. The later psalmist uses this image in an individual song of thanksgiving, to

give more weight to personal praise. Even later, Peter's speech cites the metaphor as a description of Jesus' death and resurrection. Christians sing Psalm 118 on Easter Day, since already in the New Testament Christians used this metaphor to describe Christ as the cornerstone of the church. Now often merely decorative and ceremonial, in antiquity the cornerstone was the foundation that carried the weight of the building.



# **LIFE LAID DOWN**

How does faith in the risen Christ call one to live? What shape does one's life take? The readings for this fourth Sunday of Easter are rich in their imagery, and at the center is the image of the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. Five times in eight short verses Jesus mentions laying down his life for the sake of the sheep.

The First Letter of John picks up the same theme: "We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?" (1 John 3:16-17). Laying down one's life for another might take many forms, but it at least means this: extending help, as much as you are able, when another is in need.

A friend tells the story of her grandfather, a faithful man who earned a modest income. Each year when tax time rolled around, he was audited. According to tax

records he earned so little and gave away so much. The astounded auditors questioned him, wondering why he gave so much of his income to the church. Incredulous, he responded, "You can't outgive God."

The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep, and joined to the risen life of Christ, the lives of the baptized are shaped by generosity and sacrifice. Giving one's life, resources, gifts, or whatever one holds most dear for the sake of another is both a witness to the love we have first been shown and an act of faith. Hearing Jesus' words in this Easter season reminds us that laying down one's life is not an act to be feared; rather, it is an act that defies death, as we trust that, washed in the waters of baptism, we already live in the resurrected life of Christ.



# THIS WEEK AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH

# Sunday, April 25

\* This morning there are two flower arrangements on the altar. One arrangement is sponsored by John & Patsy Hinkle in honor of the birthdays of their grandsons, Luke and Jack Spellman and one is sponsored anonymously.

\* The bulletins are sponsored by Horst & Lisa Bernhard in honor of Sara's birthday today. \* The communion kits are sponsored by Jeff & Amy Thompson in celebration of Cameron's birthday this month.

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Livestream Worship - 9:00 a.m.

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion\_Live

Adult Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. (Parlor, following worship)

Wired Word Sunday School Class – 10:30 a.m. (Zoom) Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266

Earth Day Celebration -2:00-6:00 p.m. (Kirchenwald)

#### Monday, April 26

Food Pantry - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## Tuesday, April 27

Bible Study – 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (Parlor) Scouts – 6:00 p.m. (Classrooms)

#### Wednesday, April 28

Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Picnic in the Park – 11:30 a.m. (Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion)

# Thursday, April 29

Community Meal Drive-Thru – 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.

# Friday, April 30

#### Saturday, May 1

#### Sunday, May 2

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. Livestream Worship – 9:00 a.m. Link: <u>http://bit.ly/Zion\_Live</u> Adult Sunday School – 10:00 a.m. (Parlor, following worship) Wired Word Sunday School Class – 10:30 a.m. (Zoom) Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</u> Race Against Racism – 1:00 p.m. (Meet at the church)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# RACE AGAINST RACISM 2021

<u>This event is NEXT SUNDAY</u>! You don't have to be a runner! Team Zion will walk around Landisville, similar to what was done for the CROP Walk in the fall. Meet at the church at 1 p.m. You can register to join the Zion Lutheran Church -Landisville Team at: <u>https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/81889/Groups/912144</u> Questions? Contact Randy Miller (717-413-0433)

# **BYOL: PICNIC AT THE PARK**

All are invited to **B**ring **Y**our **O**wn Lunch to Rapho Township Park (off Strickler Rd.) <u>this Wednesday</u>, April 28 (11:30 a.m.). There is a <u>parking lot</u>, a <u>children's play area</u>, and a <u>large open</u> <u>pavilion with large picnic tables</u>. There is also an excellent <u>walking trail</u> through the park! It will be fun to have lunch while spending time with others. Invite a neighbor or friend to come with you! Have questions or need directions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

# **APRIL & MAY JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTIONS**



Today is the last day to contribute to the Joyful Noise Offering for Bethany Christian Services. This organization believes every child deserves to be loved, connected, and is safe. For more than 75 years, Bethany stands for children close to

home, changing the world through family. For more information about Bethany, visit: <u>https://bethany.org/locations/us/pennsylvania/lancaster</u>



The collection next month will go to Victory House, which provides transitional living for homeless veterans as they get back on their feet and find permanent housing.





#### PENTECOST GERANIUMS

Pentecost is May 23! If you would like to sponsor a geranium – or more – please return the sponsor sheet by Monday, May 17. Sponsor forms are inserted in your bulletin and can also be found on the ushers' table in the Narthex.







# MAY CALENDARS

# **DO YOU KNOW?**

Do you know that Zion is in partnership with Samaritan Counseling Center? There is no need to suffer in silence; if you feel you could benefit from counseling services but need some assistance, let the pastor know and she can guide you to where help is available.

Stay in the loop with everything that is going on! Calendars are inserted in your bulletin today; if you need another, there are extras the ushers' table in the Narthex.

# 100th ANNIVERSARY WALL HANGING

This quilted wall hanging was designed and sewn by Gloria Grube, patterned after a drawing by Bunny Emmons. It was made in 2009 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of our church. It features the original church building on Cooper Avenue, including the bell tower. This special commemorative piece of the church's history is currently hanging above the Memorial Book table in the narthex hallway, near the mailboxes.



#### GET INVOLVED, STAY INVOLVED, BE INVOLVED



Whether you are coming to church in person or virtually, have you been wanting to be involved in a new or different way? There are opportunities to help, participate, and assist. Some include serving during worship and others include things you can do on your own, with others safely, or even from your own home. Consider reading during the service, lighting the candles,

being a (solo) vocalist or instrumentalist, contacting members by phone for a chat just to say hello, going to outdoor fellowship events, or helping with seasonal yard/garden work. If you are feeling nudged to do more or to try something new, please let the office know so we can help connect you!

# PRAYER REQUESTS & LIST UPDATES

You are invited to write prayers on the request cards located in the pew racks, on the ushers' table in the Narthex, and on the table by the box in the front of the Sanctuary. Please let the office know of anyone who should be added to the prayer list as well as anyone who can be removed.



# PANTRY UPDATE

Requested items for April are: Canned green beans, canned corn, canned peas, canned applesauce, cereal, pancake mix, pancake syrup, large grape jelly, and bagged noodles.

Thank you to the members of Zion for their continued support of the pantry serving families in our community as they struggle to feed their families!



## ADULT IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL

The adult Sunday School Class led by Dave Dumeyer meets each Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. worship service in the Parlor.

# WIRED WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL ON ZOOM

The Wired Word Class meets each Sunday via Zoom at 10:30. Class Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</u>

#### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL VIDEOS

The children's lesson can be found on the church website (<u>www.zionhempfield.net</u>) under the Faith Formation page under Children & Youth Education or you can get to it directly at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D\_ej7dcQoU

#### **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS**

There are bags at the back of the sanctuary for children during worship and then to take home.

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

The adult Bible Study group meets on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Parlor. It is lectionary-based, focusing each week on the passages or theme for the upcoming Sunday.



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

# EARTH DAY CELEBRATION AT KIRCHENWALD

➤ TODAY (April 25); 2-6 p.m.

All are invited to celebrate God's creation and to appreciate the Earth and all that is in *it*!

# SUMMER KICK-OFF WORSHIP & PICNIC

Sunday, May 16; 3:30 p.m. at Nawakwa

Questions? Contact Zion's CampPerson, Denise Haun (dmhaun@verizon.net)

#### **RETREAT FOR ADULT SURVIVORS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE**

Safe Communities invites survivors to join us for a day of reflection, connection, and education. You are not alone! The day will include education about the impact of trauma, common symptoms, and tools for managing stressful emotions. Together, we will examine the Old Testament story of Tamar. We will also look at how the expectation of forgiveness can be difficult for survivors, as well as discuss what healing looks like. Registration required. More info and registration at <u>www.safecommunitiespa.org</u> (or call 717.560.9989 or email andrea@safecommunitiespa.org).

# JOURNEY WITH TAMAR DAY RETREAT FOR ADULT SURVIVORS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE



# SATURDAY MAY 15, 2021 8:30 - 3:30

Branch Network (Ridgeview Mennonite Church building) 3723 Ridge Rd. Gordonville, PA 17529

No Cost. Funded by the 🔨 LMC Legacy Foundation

Register at www.safecommunitiespa.org

## WINDOWS OF ZION

Beginning this week, there will be a special series on the Windows of Zion shared in the bulletin and WeeklE-Newsletter. Each write-up will be included for two weeks; this special series will continue until all of the windows in the sanctuary have been featured.

The first two windows, shown below, are the Old Testament windows on either side of the main door in the narthex. Both of these windows depict the glory of God, reaching out, in glowing, radiant colors.



The Moses Window: The Law of God

At the bottom of the window is the burning bush through which God spoke to Moses. Above the bush are the Ten Commandments engraved on the stone tablets God gave to Moses on Mount Sinai.

## The David Window: Joy and Praise to God

At the bottom is a shepherd's crook, used by David when he kept his father's sheep. In the center there is a stone with which he slayed Goliath, a harp which he played to soothe King Saul, horns to praise



God as mentioned in David's Psalms, and a six-pointed Star of David. At the top is a crown placed on David's head when he became king.

# PRAYER LIST FOR HEALING

Joanne Grim **Rick Long** Thelma Pearson Marvin Ruch Kate Donnan **Barbara Williams** Dave Wise Don Heartter Joe Adams Judie Ingersoll Lucy Davis **Bill Grove** Kay Crawford Holly Hoover Jeff Rickert Janet & Harry Musselman William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube) Meghan Frey (Friend of the congregation) Robin Coons (Daughter-in-law of Dianne & Mark Coons) LaVon Harnish (Friend of Jeanette Bomberger) Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman) Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise) Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise) Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove) Lesli LaFata (Daughter of Bill & Julia Grove)

# FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Betty Stoner Arlene Miller Deb McCartney Bette Geibel Richard & Marilyn Heim Charlotte & George Potts 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

Christopher Wright Chris Andrew Thom Whitesel Ryan Stitzel Doug Kautter Justin Gorlaski 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!

25<sup>th</sup> – Sara Bernhard, Kyle Symonds

26<sup>th</sup> – Corrie Stream, Bob Wildasin, Deb Overly

28th - Deb Overly, Christopher Wright, Jonathan Wise

1<sup>st</sup> – Lynda Martin, Chase Pipkin

2<sup>nd</sup> – Tammy Bennawit, Mark Reinhart

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

25<sup>th</sup> – Chris & Tracie Andrew, Mitch & Vivian Gunzenhauser

 $26^{th}$  – Marv & Wenda Ruch

1st – Bill & Amy Flood; Ryan & Stephanie Stitzel

2<sup>nd</sup> – Dave & Donna Dumeyer

# **IN REMEMBRANCE**

Condolences to Cindy Donell & family on the death of her father, Bill Rutter, on Friday, April 16.

# **UPDATED CONTACT INFO.**

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Today's Assisting Minister

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

In-Person Worship Livestream & Recorded Worship Link (9:00 a.m.) Sunday School Class (Zoom)

Sunday School Class (Parlor) Church Office Pastor Parish Administrator Council President Office Email Pastor Email Council President Email Music Director Email Website Facebook Church Address Office Address

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. http://bit.ly/Zion\_Live https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266 10:30-11:15 a.m. Sundays, 10:00 a.m. 717-898-2911 570-916-8835 717-945-4585 610-247-1497 adminzelc@comcast.net prmsell2@ptd.net adelel3@aol.com zionlandisvillemusic@gmail.com www.zionhempfield.net Zion Lutheran Hempfield 85 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538 75 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538

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