

# ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*A Service of Word & Sacrament*

*August 13, 2023*



**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 in-person or online today! 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). If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim.

## **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION**

**IN-PERSON:** All are invited to join us for worship at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning. On September 3, the service will be held outdoors.

**ONLINE:** Indoor worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: [http://bit.ly/Zion\\_Live](http://bit.ly/Zion_Live). 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. When the service is held outdoors, there will be no live-stream.

## **FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON**

- ❖ Restrooms are available by the front entrance of the church in the Narthex and in the hallway off the back door. Infant changing tables can be found in the women's and men's bathrooms in the hallway off the back door.
- ❖ Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. There are bags located at the back of the sanctuary with quiet worship activities and goodies to take home. Currently, nursery care is not available but you may use the Parlor as a cry room while also still being able to listen to the service.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating, assist with other matters, and to answer questions.
- ❖ Mask wearing is optional for all who attend or participate in indoor gatherings, including worship, at the church.

# Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

P: Pastor    A: Assisting Minister    C: Congregation (**bolded**)

## † THE GATHERING †

### INTRODUCTION

*Elijah finds the presence of God not in earthquake, wind, or fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God’s presence to others.*

### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

#### PRELUDE

*Prelude on “Faithfulness”*

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

*Please stand if you are able.*

#### HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

ELW 733

1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no  
2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-  
stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in  
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 hope for to - mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!

*Refrain*

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy

hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## GREETING

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 God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## † THE WORD †

### 1 KINGS 19:9-18

*The LORD speaks to Elijah on Mount Horeb.*

A: <sup>9</sup>At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>10</sup>He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

<sup>11</sup>He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup>and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” <sup>14</sup>He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” <sup>15</sup>Then the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 85:8-13**

*Please read responsively.*

A: <sup>8</sup>I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

**C: <sup>9</sup>Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land.**

<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**<sup>11</sup>Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

<sup>12</sup>The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

**<sup>13</sup>Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

**ROMANS 10:5-15**

*Hearing and confessing the word of faith.*

A: <sup>5</sup>Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>“or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*Blessings*

**Laura Story  
Lisa Nelson, Piano**

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**

*Please stand if you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Open Our Eyes*

**BB 72**

Open our eyes, Lord,  
We want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch Him,  
And say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord,  
And help us to listen.  
Open our eyes, Lord,  
We want to see Jesus.  
(Repeat from beginning)

**MATTHEW 14:22-33**

*Jesus walking on the sea.*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**P:** <sup>22</sup>[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he became



frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

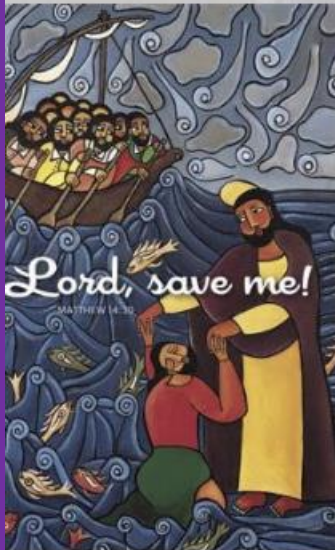
The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**MESSAGE**

**Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown**



**\*Imagine a 4-year-old's swimming lessons**

**\*Blondin, the tightrope walker**

**\*Peter, the water walker**

**\*Thoughts on "faith formation"**

# Faith Formation

**Share** "highs" and "lows"

**Read** "scripture"

**Talk** about the connection between "highs/lows" and the "scripture"

**Pray**, giving thanks for the "highs" and asking God's help/comfort with the "lows"

**Bless** one another  
"before turning out the lights"



Father James Alison says faith is relaxing in the presence of someone you're certain is fond of you.

Lutheran idea: faith is trusting God's promises, not intellectually assenting to a set of theological propositions.

**Who do you KNOW  
is fond of you  
and why?**

**Whose promises  
do you  
TAKE TO THE BANK  
and why?**



*Please stand if you are able.*

## SONG

## *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*

ELW 755

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me o - ver  
2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou canst  
3 When at last I near the shore, and the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me  
hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy  
fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful



roll, hid - ing rock and treach-'rous shoal; chart and  
will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous  
rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper, 1818–1888  
Music: PILOT, John Edgar Gould, 1822–1875

## APOSTLES' CREED

**P:** Let us profess our faith together.

**C:** **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation. God of grace and faith, your faithfulness is never-ending, and your righteousness becomes ours through Christ Jesus. Send the church to proclaim the gospel both near and far, in church buildings and on street corners, in person and through digital means. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

God of sky and sea, the plants, animals, mountains, and plains proclaim your glory. Prosper the work of ecologists as they teach us new ways to care for the environment. Bring relief to areas recovering from natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of peace and justice, you call us to live as your beloved community throughout the world. Instill in local, regional, national, and global political and civic leaders a desire to work for the well-being of all people. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of care and compassion, you bring assurance when we are afraid. Bring calm to any who are anxious or fearful. Bless the work of therapists, nurses, and other health care providers. Comfort all who grieve and soothe any who are sick. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of wonder, you accompany us in both joys and sorrows. We pray for children and teachers preparing for a new school year. Make your presence known in our work and play, in lively conversation and in quiet rest. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of new life, you send people to renew both church and society. We give you thanks for their lives of faithful service as examples of following your call. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Additional prayers may be lifted up by the congregation and/or pastor.*

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

## † THE MEAL †

### PRAYER

A: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise beyond the stars, beneath the sea, within each cell, with every breath.

C: **We praise you, O God.**

P: Generations bless your faithfulness through the water, by night and day, across the wilderness, out of exile, into the future.

C: **We bless you, O God.**

P: We give you thanks for your dear Son at the heart of human life, near to those who suffer, beside the sinner, among the poor, with us now.

C: **We thank you, O God.**

P: 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."

P: 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."

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

- P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit in our gathering, within this meal, among your people, throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
- C: **Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

- 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: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.
- C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION**

*All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament by coming forward to receive the elements in continuous fashion. Those who do not or choose not to partake of the sacrament may come forward and receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please let one of the ushers know and the pastor will come to you.*

*For those not able to have red wine, there is grape juice in the outer circle of every tray. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When given the bread and cup, the communion ministers will say: "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," to which you may respond: "Amen."*

*Please use this time for quiet reflection or join in singing the communion hymns until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.*

### **COMMUNION HYMNS    *Precious Lord, Take My Hand***

**ELW 773**

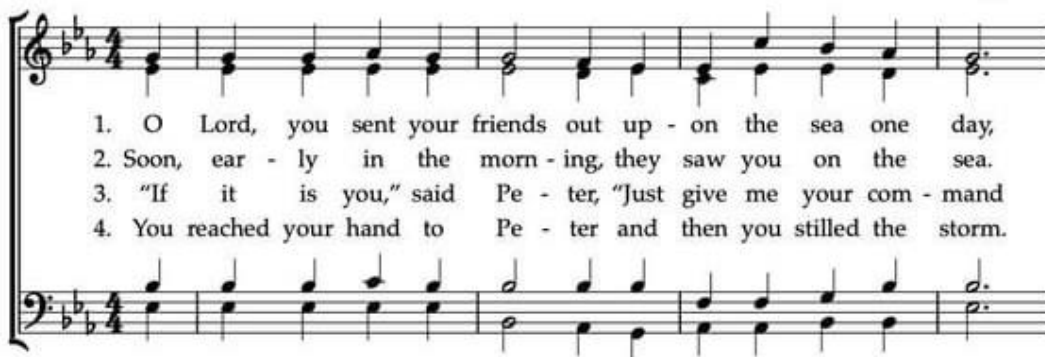
1. Precious Lord, take my hand,  
Lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night,  
Lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.



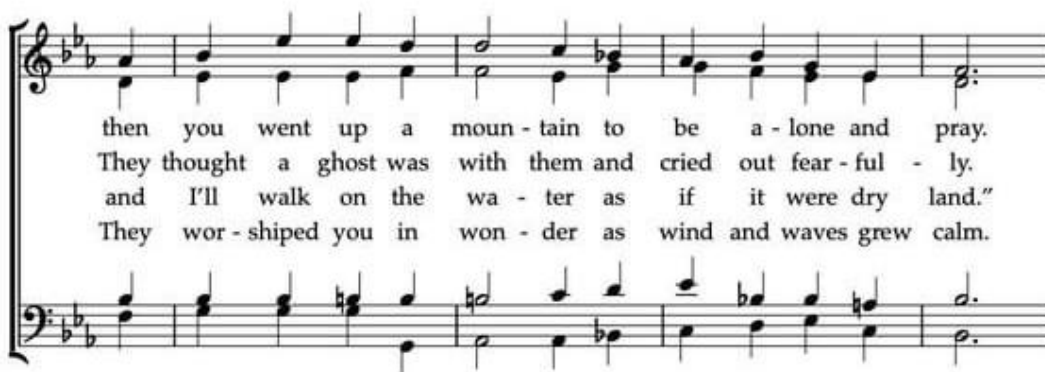
2. When my way grows drear,  
Precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call,  
Hold my hand lest I fall.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

3. When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near,  
And the day is past and gone,  
At the river I stand,  
Guide my feet, hold my hand.  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

***Oh Lord, You Sent Your Friends Out***  
*To the tune of "The Church's One Foundation"*



1. O Lord, you sent your friends out up - on the sea one day,  
2. Soon, ear - ly in the morn - ing, they saw you on the sea.  
3. "If it is you," said Pe - ter, "Just give me your com - mand  
4. You reached your hand to Pe - ter and then you stilled the storm.



then you went up a moun - tain to be a - lone and pray.  
They thought a ghost was with them and cried out fear - ful - ly.  
and I'll walk on the wa - ter as if it were dry land."  
They wor - shiped you in won - der as wind and waves grew calm.





But soon their boat was shak - en by migh - ty winds and waves.  
 "Don't be a - fraid," you told them, "for it is I," you said.  
 He brave - ly went to meet you, but soon he sank in fear.  
 May we your church have cour - age to trust in you a - lone.

They fought the storm that threat - ened and prayed to God who saves.  
 You stayed with them and helped them when they were filled with dread.  
 He found it hard to trust you when dan - ger was so near.  
 In you we find safe pas - sage and you will bring us home.

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*Please stand if you are able.*

## 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: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## † THE SENDING †

### BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless,  
keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

### SENDING SONG

#### *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ELW 632

1. O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home:
2. Under the shadow of your throne  
Your saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is your arm alone,  
And our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood  
Or earth received its frame,  
From everlasting you are God,  
To endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages in your sight  
Are like an evening gone,  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all our years away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the op'ning day.
6. O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Still be our guard while troubles last  
And our eternal home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata on "St. Anne"*

arr. Michael Helman



*Check out the bulletin board in the narthex for more information about Zion's new stewardship initiative!*

## **THIS WEEK AT ZION**

### **Sunday, August 13**

*\* The flowers are sponsored by Robin Ginther in memory of her father, Paul Baur, Jr.*

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

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

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Box Office Bible Study Class (“The Chosen”) – Parlor (Final class until Sept.)

### **Monday, August 14**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Council – 7 p.m. (Zone)

### **Tuesday, August 15**

No Bible Study

### **Wednesday, August 16**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Thursday, August 17**

### **Friday, August 18**

### **Saturday, August 19**

### **Sunday, August 20**

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

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

Adult Sunday School will resume in September



## ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

### **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

The Bible Study group meets at 9 a.m. in the parlor. All are invited to come for inspirational scripture-based discussion. *(Note: No meeting this week.)*

### **SAVE THE DATE – END OF SUMMER PICNIC**

Mark your calendar for Thurs., Sept. 21 to join us at Lake Grubb for an end of summer gathering beginning at 4 p.m.! If you'd like to help with this event, contact Dave D.



### **FINAL OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE**

Mark your calendar for the final outdoor service next month on Sept. 3! Feel free to dress casually and bring your own chair (or blanket if you prefer to sit on the grass). If you can't bring a chair, come anyway—there will be some available!



*August 6  
Outdoor  
Worship*





## **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER**

After Labor Day, the Wired Word class will meet again in person and on Zoom and the class that meets in the parlor will begin a new study! (*Note: The Parlor class will meet today to conclude the study on "The Chosen."*)

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF CARE KIT SUMMER PROJECT**

Thank you to everyone who has donated items for LWR's Care Kit project! There is still time to bring in items through the summer months. Place all donations in the bin in the narthex. Items needed per kit: 2 bath-size bars of soap; one sturdy comb (remove packaging); one light-weight bath-size towel; one adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging; one metal nail-clippers (remove packaging).



The Joyful Noise offering this month will go to Off the Streets, an organization that works to help get individuals off the street and into permanent housing. In addition, if you



would like to donate items for Off the Streets, there is a list of requested items on the white board between the mailboxes in the narthex. Questions? Contact Pat L.



We are overwhelmed by the \$130 donation from the Joyful Noise offering this past spring. This donation will help with security deposits, as we assist our clients into permanent housing, thus lessening the stigma of

homelessness in our community. We are humbled by your kindness.

With sincere thanks, Off the Streets

## **THRIVENT T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE THRU LABOR DAY**

Thrivent shirts are on the shelf above the coatrack across from the mailboxes—help yourself! Whatever is not taken by September 4 will be donated.

## **COMFORTER MINISTRY**

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



## **FOOD PANTRY UPDATE**

If you are interested in donating items to the Food Pantry, requested items include: mac & cheese, spaghetti sticks, cereal, canned mixed vegetables, large jars of peanut butter, large jars of jelly, and canned tuna. The Pantry is grateful for all donations and volunteers!

## COMMUNITY MEAL UPDATE

The Community Meal will resume on Thursday, September 14 and will be held as a served, sit-down meal in the Social Room! The meal will be provided on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. All of the meals for the remainder of 2023 have been sponsored by church and school groups! This means that Zion will not be making any meals but what Zion *will* provide is a welcoming space and additional help with the meals. *We will provide the use of our kitchen and any disposable products to serve the meal. We will need to wrap utensils, set the tables, and prepare beverages. One or two hosts will need to be present for each meal to assist the sponsoring organization and greet our guests.* Please consider becoming a host! Contact Mary Hetrick for details about this opportunity. Thank you so much, in advance!

## 2023 SUMMER PICNIC SCHEDULE

*Mark your calendar and bring your lunch and enjoy some fellowship!*

- **Thursday, August 31 at 11:30 a.m. – Rapho Twp. Park**
- **Wednesday, September 27 at 11:30 a.m. – A. Herr Park**



**MT. GRETNA BIBLE FESTIVAL 2023**

**Summer at the Tabernacle | Worship, Speakers and Concerts**

**August 13: Speaker: Bob Kettering**

**August 20: The Susquehanna Chorale Concert**

**August 27: Quintessentially Brass Concert**

**All events are held at 7:00 p.m.  
at the Tabernacle**

# COMPASSION in the Congregation

## REGISTRATION COMPASSION in the Congregation

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### 1. CHOOSE A SESSION

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 // 8 – 10:30am

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 // 6:30 – 8:30pm

### 2. REGISTER ONLINE



Scan this code with  
your phone camera.

[www.SnyderFuneralHome.com/workshop](http://www.SnyderFuneralHome.com/workshop)  
OR CALL Daliah Ferko 717.464.4600

### 3. ATTEND-Willow Street Location!

Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes & Crematory  
2421 Willow Street Pike  
Willow Street, PA 17584

Registration deadline is July 21, 2023.  
Register early; space is limited.

You're invited to this  
educational event.

Presenter  
Dr. William G. Hoy, DMin, FT

August 15, 2023 / morning or  
evening

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## **Building Compassionate Care in Your Congregation** (Clergy & Ministry Leaders)

**Tuesday 8/15 8-10:30am - Breakfast + Workshop**

Though the “care of souls” has traditionally been thought of as a vital ministry task, many clergy confess how poorly they were equipped to lead the pastoral care element of their ministries. This workshop will provide both a theological basis for pastoral care out of the ministry of Jesus along with practical application of principles and techniques you can start using immediately to better connect with people facing life’s trials. We will discuss that through leadership, teaching, and modeling, clergy and other ministry leaders have a unique opportunity to help congregational volunteers learn to care for each other more effectively. In this workshop, we’ll discover together how to engage congregation members in caring for one another through ideas for sermons and homilies, small group training, and modeling best practices for ministry.

**At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:**

- Describe the biblical and historically theological foundation for congregational caregiving
- Apply proven principles of pastoral care that meet the needs of congregants and the larger community
- Utilize a proven method to recruit, train, and mentor pastoral care volunteers
- Assess the need for support groups and other resources within the faith community while accessing resources in the larger community

## **Developing a Practical Heart of Compassion for Others: What to Say and Do to Minister**

(Lay volunteers and others interested in the congregation’s caregiving ministries.)

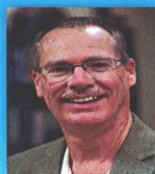
**Tuesday 8/15 6:30-8:30pm - Dinner + Workshop**

Though most of us know we should help others, knowing specifically what to say and do can be quite a challenge. Many people think hurting people simply want their privacy but this usually leads to further alienation. In this workshop, we will discuss how the congregation’s caregiving ministry — even if it is the informal care of a few people — can enhance people’s experience with serious illness, loss, and other crises.

**In this workshop especially for ministry volunteers, we’ll talk about...**

- A useful model for ministry to people facing serious illness, loss, or other crises
- How to ask good questions and help people talk
- Proven strategies for meeting spiritual needs of people facing loss
- Practical actions to take to effectively care for people

### **ABOUT THE PRESENTER**



For the last ten years, **Dr. William G. (Bill) Hoy**, DMin, FT (Fuller Theological Seminary) has been our educational advisor. Though he is well-known across the United States and Canada for his work with colleagues who care for the dying and bereaved in community health and social service programs, his love is the church’s ministry to the seriously ill, dying, and bereaved. Since 2012, Dr. Hoy has been Clinical Professor of Medical Humanities at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. Over nearly four decades, Bill has served 15 years as a pastor and teaching elder and 17 years leading a hospice pastoral care and bereavement program. He is the author of six books and more than 200 papers, journal articles, and book chapters.

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

Dolly Overly  
Jon Wright  
Bob Shirk  
Tom Grzybowski  
Jess Barcaro  
Harry Musselman  
Sam King  
Bill Grove  
Connie Alsedek  
Joe Adams  
Mary Zimmerman  
Marvin Ruch  
Kate Donnan  
Judie Ingersoll  
Joan Mays  
Holly Hoover  
Barb Williams  
Kay Crawford  
Christian Benedict  
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)  
Walter Thalgot (Brother of Thelma Pearson)  
Lori Weber (Daughter of Dolly Overly)  
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)  
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)  
Elaine Reuschlein (Friend of Barb Williams)  
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)  
Jennifer Wiley (Niece of Pat Landis and friend of Mary Hetrick)  
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)  
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)  
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

***FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY***

Thelma Pearson  
Lucy Davis  
Deb McCartney  
George Potts  
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)  
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)  
Dorothy Mattern (Mother of Denise Haun)



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!**

13<sup>th</sup> – Dave Albin, Joe Hindes

14<sup>th</sup> – Ian Flood



## **MINISTRY LEADERS**

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

Members of the Congregation  
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown  
John Landis  
Anne Rankin  
David Albin  
Diane Gerlach  
Kim Paternoster  
Denise Haun  
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)  
Tom Miller (p.m.)

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

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream & Recorded Link	<a href="http://bit.ly/Zion_Live">http://bit.ly/Zion_Live</a>
Outdoor Worship	9/3 @ 9:00 a.m. (No livestream)
Bible Study “The Chosen” Class (Parlor)	Today @ 10:30 a.m. and then will resume in September
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Will resume in September
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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