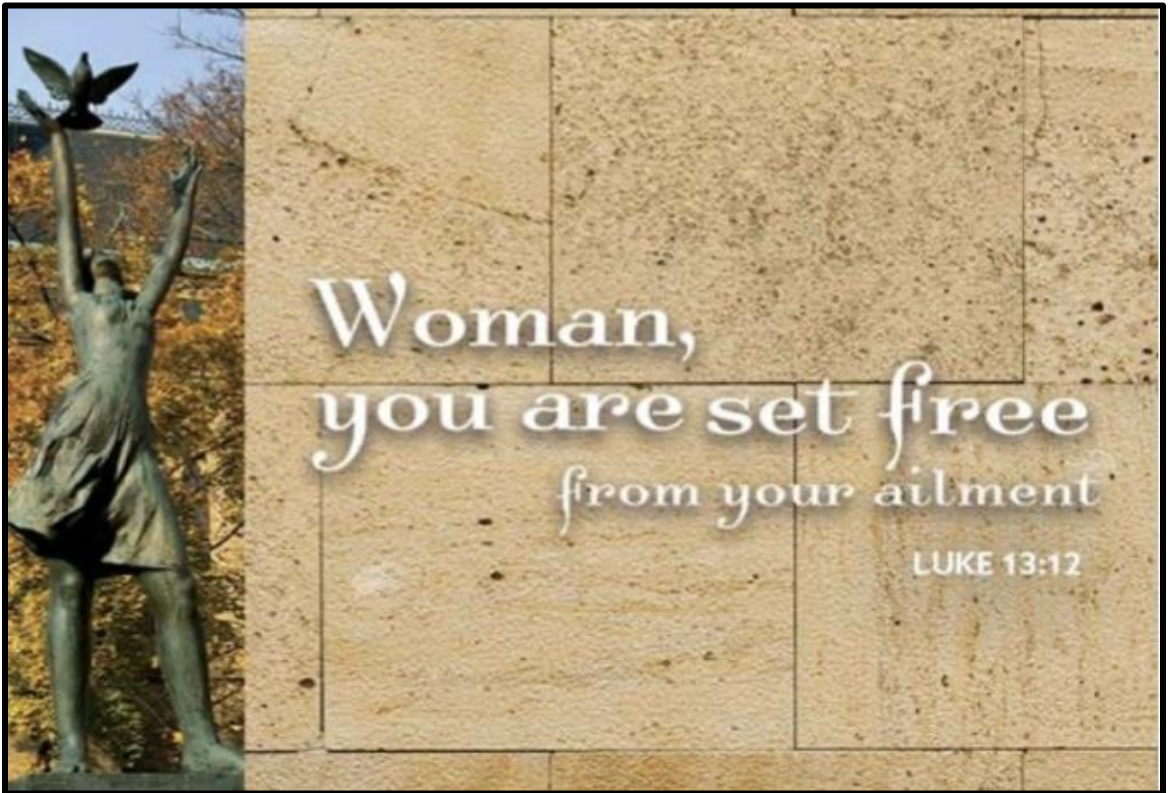


# 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*A Service of Word & Sacrament*

*August 24, 2025*



**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 this morning! 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.

This morning we welcome guest organist, Douglas Bomberger!

## **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION**

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

**ONLINE:** If you are unable to worship in-person, the service is live-streamed and can be viewed on the church YouTube channel:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\\_3AeK\\_pExuVhcUfl2cSw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw)

## **SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION**

- ❖ 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 nursery room or the parlor as a calming 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.



# 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

## † THE GATHERING †

### INTRODUCTION

*Welcome, friends, to this assembly of God's mercy and steadfast love. Here, Jesus lifts the bent—those forced to fit the shape of our human systems. Meanwhile, the prophets call us to genuine justice where people are freed from one single mold. The Spirit flows through baptism and table. Together, we gather not to point fingers, but to stand, to rest, and to serve, anticipating God's holy city of Zion coming down on earth.*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Toccata in G Minor*

**Johann Pachelbel**

*Please stand if you are able.*

### 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 creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

C: **our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.  
Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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 word and sacrament in 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  $\text{✝}$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

*Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

ELW 864

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.  
2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.  
3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;  
4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.

Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.  
God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.  
but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en-dures un-chang-ing on.  
Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.

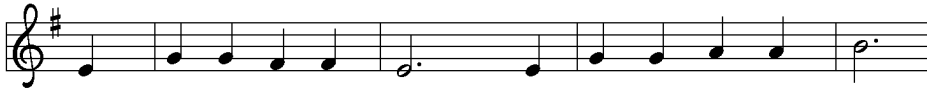
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

## 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.

## KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### *Glory to God*



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C:** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## † THE WORD †

### ISAIAH 58:9b-14

*Do not trample the sabbath, but feed the hungry.*

**A:** <sup>9b</sup> If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup> if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup> The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup> Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

<sup>13</sup> If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; <sup>14</sup> then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 103:1-8**

*Please read responsively.*

A: <sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

<sup>3</sup> who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup> **who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

<sup>5</sup> who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup> **O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

<sup>7</sup> You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup> **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

### **HEBREWS 12:18-29**

*You have come to the city of the living God and to Jesus.*

A: <sup>18</sup> You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them.

<sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” <sup>27</sup> This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN’S CHAT

*Please stand if you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## LUKE 13:10-17

*Jesus heals a crippled woman on the sabbath and is condemned.*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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



P: <sup>10</sup> Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

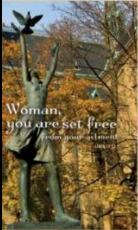
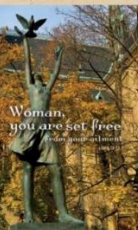
The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown

	<b>Jesus did not force the bent over woman to fit the Sabbath.</b>
	<b>Jesus made the Sabbath to fit her healing.</b>
	We often bend human beings to fit our systems of healing that ignore their needs and leave them wounded.
	By contrast, Jesus molds the system to bring healing in the way human beings need it!

*Please stand if you are able.*

## SONG

## *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

ELW 886

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system contains the first four lines of the lyrics, and the second system contains the next four lines. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are: 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise, 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim, 3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease, 4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive; the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace! to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name. sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace. the mourn-ful, bro-ken hearts re-joice, the hum-ble poor be-lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,  
O fallen human race!  
Look and be saved through faith alone,  
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love  
be now and ever giv'n  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

## 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: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

*A brief silence.*

You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all. We give thanks for the faithful leadership of Bishop James Dunlop and pray your continued blessing on him in retirement. We also rejoice in the ministry of Bishop Stephen Herr, asking for your guidance and wisdom as he leads among us. Inspire synod councils, staff, and congregation leaders to build a society of mutual flourishing, where there is manna for all and all experience your justice and abundance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You inspire all creation to sing and bless your holy name. Send healing rains to parched places and relief to flooded lands. Lead us to enact policies to rebuild ruined ecosystems and habitats, and to care for the Susquehanna River and Chesapeake Bay watersheds, that all waters and creatures may thrive. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness. Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You call us to delight in the sabbath. Invigorate worship planners and leaders with creativity to aid this assembly in fresh and faithful prayer and praise. Enable all who gather here to be nourished and renewed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

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

P: With all your apostles, prophets, and saints, we give thanks and bless your holy name. As they now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of their lives to pursue your reign, which can never be shaken. Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

C: **Amen.**

### **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

### **† THE MEAL †**

### **PRAYER**

A: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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."

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."

### **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:** Come to this table, not because you must but because you may, not because you are strong, but because you are weak. Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help. Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more. Come, because he loved you and gave himself for you. Come and meet the risen Christ, for we are his Body.

**C:** *Just As I Am* **ELW 592**

Just as I am, Thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down;  
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

*Please be seated.*

## PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

*All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament. Those who do not or choose not to partake of the sacrament may receive a blessing.*

*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 sing the communion songs until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.*

## COMMUNION SONGS

### *Morning Has Broken*

**ELW 556**

The musical score for 'Morning Has Broken' is presented on a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the staff, with three verses numbered 1, 2, and 3. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature.

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has  
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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## *Canticle of the Turning*

ELW 723

1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .  
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a  
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -

God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -





won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.  
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
The hun - gry poor shall . . . weep no more, for the  
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry  
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



*Refrain*

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat

Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional

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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: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

## † THE SENDING †

## BLESSING

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

*Savior, Again to Your Dear Name*

ELW 534

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise  
2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;  
3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;  
4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;  
for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.  
our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;





once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,  
 guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
 Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;  
 then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.  
 that in this house have called up - on your name.  
 your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.  
 call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.  
 Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*Recessional*

**Robert J. Hughes**

## **THIS WEEK AT ZION**

### **Sunday, August 24 – Guest Organist: Douglas Bomberger**

*\* The altar flowers are sponsored by Scott & Mary Hetrick in celebration of Maria's birthday tomorrow, August 25!*

*\* The bulletins are sponsored by Pastor Tim in celebration of his and Ann's anniversary tomorrow, August 25!*

*\* The communion elements are sponsored by Denise & Steve Haun to the glory of God.*

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

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### **Monday, August 25**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Tuesday, August 26**

### **Wednesday, August 27**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Thursday, August 28**

Picnic in the Park – 11:30 a.m. (Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion)

Choir Rehearsal – 6 p.m.

### **Friday, August 29**

### **Saturday, August 30**

Model Club – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

### **Sunday, August 24 – Guest Organist: James Landis**

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

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**COMMUNITY MEAL  
AT ZION (LANDISVILLE)**

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

**THURSDAY EVENING MEALS  
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Nov. 13 • Dec. 11**

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**SPREAD THE WORD!**

**COME AND EAT WITH THE  
GUESTS!**

*If you'd like to help at all this  
fall, contact Mary H.*

*(717-333-6173 or  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

### MID-YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS

Statements have been distributed in mailboxes! Please be sure to get yours!

### JOYFUL NOISE, CARE TEAM INITIATIVE, & RALLY DAY INFO

- The Social Outreach Team has designated our Joyful Noise offerings for the month of August to go to Off the Streets
- Also during August, the Care Team will be collecting cleaning supplies to be given to Off the Streets clients on their move-in day. This project will provide a “starter kit” to welcome them to their new home. Using a Thrivent Action Team grant, we have purchased 25 ten-quart buckets that we will fill with cleaning supplies. Storage space is very limited for clients, so we must collect **small sizes** of these items. If you took a tag and are purchasing items, please be sure to bring them all in by NEXT SUNDAY (Aug. 31).
- The goal is to fill the 25 buckets on Rally Day to celebrate this outreach to our community. Please direct questions to Mary Hetrick (717-333-6173 or [psuocn92@comcast.net](mailto:psuocn92@comcast.net)).

## 2025 ZION RALLY DAY

God's work. Our hands.



September 7, 2025

**~Worship at 9:00 a.m. followed by activities and food~**

*Join us in a Cleaning Bucket Project for Off the Streets and a lunch!*

***We hope you will plan to be a part of this ministry and mission!***



## RALLY DAY 2025

### CLEANING BUCKET PROJECT FOR OFF THE STREETS

When clients move in to their home, they are given a cleaning bucket filled with supplies. With 2-3 move-ins every Saturday, that means 8-12 buckets are distributed each month. This year's Rally Day Project focuses on supporting OTS with this part of their work in the community by providing requested items for the buckets. Due to the fact that the buckets are a certain size (10-quart) only certain sized items can be included. *Please only purchase exactly what is listed below.* 25 buckets have already been purchased with Thrivent grant money.

There is a sample bucket in the narthex and another one filled with tags. Please take a tag (or two) by August 31 and purchase the item(s) noted. All items can be brought in and placed in the collection bin. THANK YOU!

#### REQUESTED ITEMS:

**Toilet bowl cleaner** (not a toilet brush): 24 oz

**Multi-purpose spray cleaner:** 24 oz

**Microfiber cleaning cloths:** 2 per bucket (packs of 8-10)

**Sponges:** 2 per bucket

**Toilet paper:** 2 rolls per bucket

**Bars of soap:** Bath size, 2 per bucket

**Laundry detergent:** 42 oz bottle or a small packet of pods (Can be purchased at Dollar Tree)

**Dish soap:** 6-12 oz

**Hand soap pump:** small size

***THANK YOU  
TO  
EVERYONE  
WHO HAS  
ALREADY  
BROUGHT IN  
DONATIONS!***

### OPEN WORSHIP SPONSORSHIPS

Flowers

Nov.: 23 (Christ the King)

Bulletins

Aug.: 31

Sept.: 28

Oct.: 5 (World Communion), 12, 19, 26 (Reformation)

Nov.: 2 (All Saints), 16, 23 (Christ the King), 30

Dec.: 7, 14, 28

## FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 283 pounds of cereal that was donated to the Hempfield Area Food Pantry in July as well as for the financial contributions! Monetary contributions help to purchase food (such as eggs, fresh produce, meats, and dairy products) at the Central Penn Food Bank, local grocery stores, and markets at deep discounts. Last month, the pantry served 2,254 individuals (673 children; 1,117 adults; 464 seniors) and is grateful for the 49 people who volunteered 675 hours.

### REQUESTED ITEMS

\*Canned corn, red beets, spinach, tuna, black beans, kidney beans, pinto beans, baked beans, fruit (all varieties), chicken noodle soup, cream of mushroom soup, tomato paste, tomato sauce

\*Bagged lentil beans

\*Peanut butter (large jars)

\*Jelly (large jars)

\*Cereal

\*Rigatoni & Penne Pastas

(*No glass jars*)

## FUNERALS AT ZION

Have you ever wondered if you could plan your own funeral at Zion? Find this out and more next Sunday, August 31 at 10:30. The Care Team will hold a 45-minute informal question and answer session in the Zone. Your questions will be answered by Pastor Tim and Ministry Assistant, Diane Gerlach. Funeral planning forms will be available to take.

## COMFORTER MINISTRY

Welcome back! Because Labor Day is the first Monday of September, we will meet the second Monday, September 8 at 9 AM in the kitchen! While we knot, we can share stories of our time apart in the summer. 😊 Looking ahead to October, we will meet on the first Monday, 10/6. Also, THANK YOU to everyone who has donated sheets for this ministry! For all those who help with making the comforters, please take a bag up to the social room closet before our first gathering... the blue bin is loaded!

### THANK YOU FROM AL ALSEDEK

*Thank you to my fellow brothers and sisters in Christ! My sunroom and living room are adorned with over 50 beautiful birthday cards that you sent me! They not only helped me celebrate my 91<sup>st</sup> birthday earlier this month but they also have provided encouragement to me for my recovery from the health issues I experienced last winter. I'll be back in church soon!*

## ONLINE GIVING

Interested in online giving? The link is on the homepage of the church website, or go directly: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZM24/home>

## BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study focusing on the weekly scriptures and its related topics will resume Tuesday, September 2 at 9 a.m. in the parlor. Everyone is welcome to join us as we discover the message God has for us!

## JOURNEYS: A GROUP TO SUPPORT WELLNESS

The next gathering of this wellness group will be on Friday, September 12 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Sign up or just come on over! You are welcome to bring a friend!

## DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Devotionals can be found on the ushers' table, on the kiosk across from the mailboxes, and on the window sill ledge in the back hallway across from the choir room.

- Christ in Our Home devotionals (published by Augsburg Fortress)
- Our Daily Bread devotionals (*Sept.-Nov. Now Available!*)
- Online app: <https://d365.org/>

## UPDATED CONTACT INFO

Al & Connie Alsedek: 717-572-6090

Barb Williams: [mae.eden1969@gmail.com](mailto:mae.eden1969@gmail.com)



***THE LAST OF THIS SEASON!***  
**THIS Thursday, August 28,**  
**11:30 a.m.**  
**@ Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion**  
*Bring your own lunch!*  
*Come enjoy time with Zion friends!*  
*Questions? Contact Millie (898-2313)*



## **SAVE THE DATE!**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.**

**ALL-CHURCH END OF SUMMER PICNIC AT LAKE GRUBB**

**Burgers, Hot Dogs, and Drinks will be provided. Bring a side to share!**  
**Look for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board!**

**Come celebrate the end of summer at this annual cookout!**

***Sponsored by the Men's Group***

# JULY CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	15,454	113,946
Administration	2,648	9,779
Property	7,414	49,426
Stewardship: Synod & Other Benevolence	2,357	16,904
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	1,082	7,442
 Total Expenses	 28,956	 197,497
 <u>Income</u>		
Offerings	32,926	156,211
Other	220	10,926
 Total Income	 33,146	 167,137
 Difference	 4,191	 (30,360)



Saturday, September 27; 4-9 p.m.  
at Kirchenwald

(1 Cut Off Rd., Lebanon)

*Cost: Donate what you would pay for a dinner  
out at a nice restaurant, including tip!*

**YOU'RE INVITED** to this annual **Oktoberfest-style fundraiser!** This lively evening brings together friends, family, and supporters for great food, music, and community — all while helping sustain and grow our camping ministry.

*Enjoy a mouthwatering **pork BBQ dinner**, delicious homemade desserts, and the warm atmosphere of an **Oktoberfest celebration**. Tap your feet to **live music**, connect with fellow supporters, and take part in an exciting **silent and live auction**. Your participation directly supports the mission and programs at [Kirchenwald](#).*

## Schedule of Events

4:00 Happy Hour and Registration/ Silent Auction  
5:00 Happier Hour and Registration/ Silent Auction  
6:00 Meal with Live Music  
7:00 Dessert, Silent Auction Winners, and Live Auction  
8:00 Live Music/Fellowship





WITTEL FARM



# OCTOBER HARVEST FESTIVAL



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**10:00am - 2:00pm**

Lunch at Noon

**Hay Rides   Pumpkin Decorating  
Live Music   Farm-to-Table Lunch**

**\$15 per person**  
**4 and under free**

**WittelFarm.org**



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

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# Fall Foliage Day

## Kirchenwald

**Sunday, Oct. 26**

**Pumpkin Painting  
Canoeing / Kayaking  
Mountain Biking  
Hiking  
And More!**

## Nawakwa

**Sunday, Oct 19**

**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*)**

**Please call 717-677-8211 or visit  
[LutheranCamping.org](http://LutheranCamping.org)  
to register.**



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## **CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

### **August**

28: Picnic in the Park (11:30 a.m.; Rapho Twp. Park)

### **September**

7: Rally Day -- God's Work, Our Hands: Worship, Mission Project, & Lunch

11: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

12: Journeys (10 a.m.; Parlor)

14: Sunday School Begins

18: All-Church End of Summer Picnic (4:30 - 7:30 p.m.; Lake Grubb Nature Park, Pavilion #1; Sponsored by the Men's Group)

23: Journeys (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

25: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

### **October**

9: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

12: Zion Arts Concert: *Saxology*

23: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

25: Bishop Steven R. Herr Installation (St. Matthew ELCA, York; Time TBD)

### **November**

2: Intent Sunday #1

9: Budget Informational Session & Intent Sunday #2

13: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

23: Congregational Meeting & Voting

### **December**

3: Liederkrantz Rehearsal (6 p.m.; Sanctuary)

6: Liederkrantz Holiday Concert (4 p.m.; Sanctuary)

11: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

21: Hempfield H.S. Holiday Concert (2 p.m.; Sanctuary)

# ***PRAYER LIST***

## ***HEALING***

Cullen Sperry	Cameron Thompson	Al Alsedek	Bill Piper
Kevin Ramer	John Gerlach	Dave Wauls	Connie Alsedek
Bob Shirk	Kathryn Kochel	Dave Wise	Joe Adams
Tom Grzybowski	Jess Barcaro	Kay Crawford	Judie Ingersoll
Bill Grove	Barb Williams	Sam King	Julia Grove
Holly Hoover	Kate Donnan	Deb Overly	
Joanne Myers (Friend of Connie Alsedek)		Pam (Friend of the congregation)	
Deb Hobaugh (Friend of Deb & Rick Long)		Fred Boyle (Friend of Bob & Judy Traup)	
Tina Weigner (Friend of Adele King)		Lissa James (Niece of Connie Alsedek)	
Dennis Barcaro (Jess Barcaro's father-in-law)		Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)	
Rev. Janyce Jorgensen (Wife of Rev. Jorgensen)			
Randy Smith (Father-in-law of Adele King's daughter)			
Jack Taylor (6-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			
Kara Escalante (Godddaughter of Barb & Tom Williams)			
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson and nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)			

## ***COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY***

Lucy Davis	Thelma Pearson	Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Brooke Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)		
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)		

## ***PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS***

Doug Kautter	Chris Andrew	Evan Benedict	Justin Gorlaski
Thom Whitesel	Christopher Wright	Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)	
Benjamin Hansen (Grandson of Al & Connie Alsedek and son of Holly)			
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay; husband of Liz)			

## ***WIDER CHURCH***

Konde Diocese	Masebe congregation	Pastor Subi Mwakitalima
Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop, ELCA)		James Dunlop (Bishop, LSS)
Yehiel Curry (Presiding Bishop Elect, ELCA)		Steve Herr (Bishop Elect, LSS)
Pastor Lucille ("CeCee") Mills (Secretary Elect, ELCA)		
Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Bishop, Konde Diocese)		

## ***CELEBRATING***

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

25: Maria Hetrick, Keller Moore	27: Kim Paternoster	29: Todd Benedict, Jason Myers
30: Pam Searle, Lyla Swade	31: Savannah Reed	

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

25: Pastor Tim & Ann Seitz-Brown

## MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers  
Pastor  
Music Director  
Guest Organist  
Parish Administrator  
Worship Technology Assistant  
Lay Ministry Assistant  
Council President  
Council Vice President  
Sexton

Members of the Congregation  
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown  
John Landis  
Douglas Bomberger  
Anne Rankin  
David Albin  
Diane Gerlach  
Kim Paternoster  
Denise Haun  
Tom Miller

## WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.  
Livestream Link: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\\_3AeK\\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw)  
Rally Day September 7  
Bible Study Class (Parlor) Will resume on September 14 @ 10:30 a.m.  
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom) Will resume on September 14 @ 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Bible Study Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.

(Will resume on September 2)

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