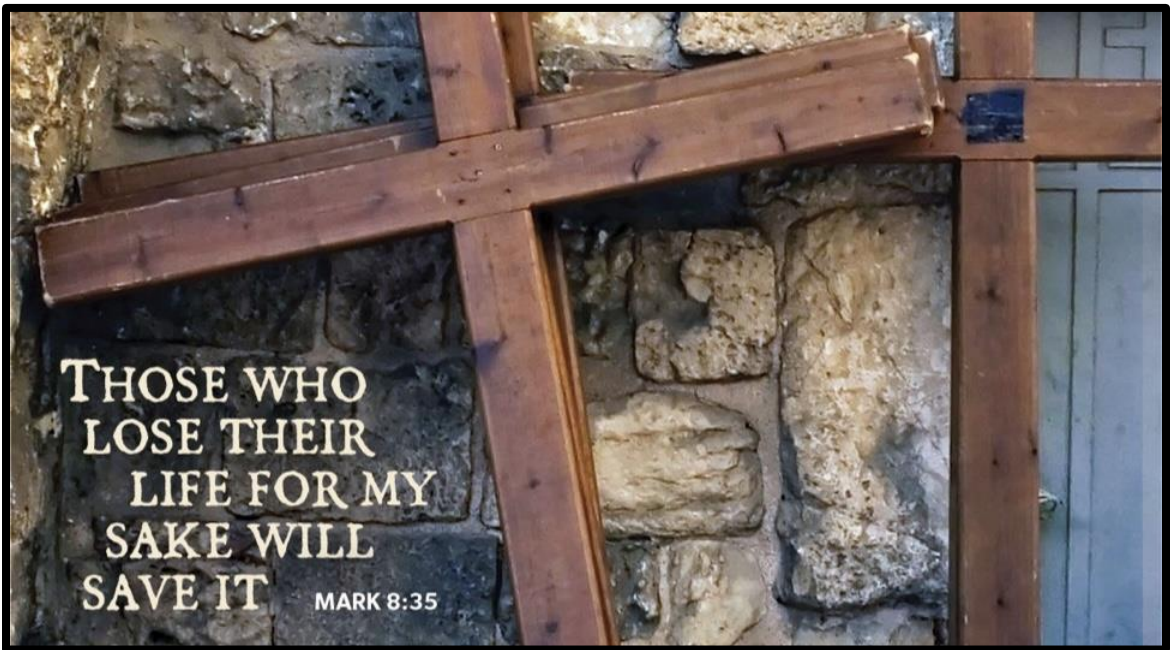


SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

A Service of Word & Sacrament

February 25, 2024



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.

ONLINE: Indoor worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: 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.

Second Sunday in Lent

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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

Temple Talk: Welcome Mike Youse from Lutheran Camping Corporation!

Please stand if you are able.

HYMN

The Wonderful Cross

BB 13

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Refrain

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross;
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

3. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. *Refrain*

By Faith

1. By faith we see the hand of God
 In the light of creation's grand design,
 In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
 Who walk by faith and not by sight.

2. By faith our fathers roamed the earth
 With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
 Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
 A place where peace and justice reign.

Refrain

We will stand as children of the promise;
 We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
 Till the race is finished and the work is done,
 We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

3. By faith the prophets saw a day
 When the longed-for Messiah would appear
 With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,
 And rise triumphant from the grave.

4. By faith the church was called to go
 In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
 To deliver captives and to preach good news
 In ev'ry corner of the earth. *Refrain*

5. By faith the mountain shall be moved
 And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
 For we know in Christ all things are possible
 For all who call upon His name. *Refrain*

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 writes the law on our hearts, who
 draws all people together through Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: **we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.**

We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

P: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

KYRIE

The musical score for the Kyrie consists of two systems of staves. The first system has two staves. The top staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a common time signature (C). It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a whole note and a half note. The bottom staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a whole note and a half note. The lyrics for the first system are: "Se - ñor, ten pie-dad. Lord, have mer - cy. Have". The second system also has two staves. The top staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a whole note and a half note. The bottom staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a whole note and a half note. The lyrics for the second system are: "Se - ñor, ten pie-dad. Lord, have mer - cy. Have".

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
Lord, have mer - cy. Have

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
Lord, have mer - cy. Have

Cris - to, ten pie - dad.
mer - cy on us, Christ.

Cris - to, ten
Have mer - cy on



Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
Lord, have mer - cy.

pie - dad.
us, Christ.

Se - ñor,
Lord,

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad, Se - ñor.
have mer - cy, Lord.

ten pie-dad.
have mer - cy.

ten pie-dad, Se - ñor.
have mer - cy, Lord.

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, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16

God blesses Abraham and Sarah.

A: ¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make

my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.”

³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

¹⁵God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:23-31

Please read responsively.

A: ²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob’s line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

C: ²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD’s face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied. Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come. ³¹They shall proclaim God’s deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, “The LORD has acted!”

ROMANS 4:13-25

The promise to those who share Abraham's faith.

A: ¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

I Come to the Cross

Jack Schrader

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Stay outta the cookies!

Please stand if you are able.

Purify my heart.

Touch me with Your cleansing fire.

Take me to the cross; Your holiness is my desire.

Breathe Your life in me.

Kindle a love that flows from Your throne.

Oh, purify my heart, purify my heart.

MARK 8:31-38

The passion prediction.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8st chapter.

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

P: ³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

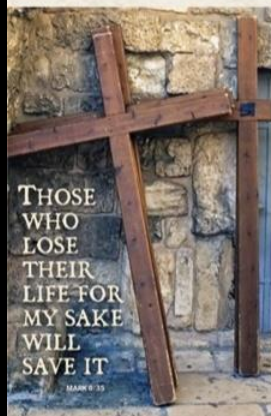
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MESSAGE**Pastor Timothy Seitz-Brown**



**Did you ever try
to fix something**

**and end up
making it worse?**



In Genesis 16, Abram and Sarai had been waiting for the Creator to bless them with the Child of the Promise.

But they got tired of waiting.

So, they went into action.

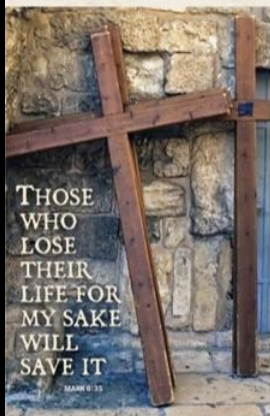
**Sarai suggested Abram
make a baby with her slave-girl, Hagar.**

Huh?!!

Abram, "Sure! That's a great idea, honey...
if that's what you want."

*They tried to save their lives,
using their own problem solving power.*

How did that work out?



In Genesis 17,
the Creator promised the Geezers
a child for the second time.

In Genesis 18,
the promise was repeated.

Third time's the charm?

Abram and Sarai had to "lose their lives"
by learning to live by the Promise Alone.

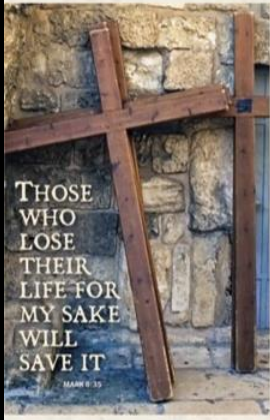
*Meanwhile, Peter and the disciples
were also "promise-problem solvers"
who tried to "save their lives."*

**Satan (anxiety),
get behind me!**

Jesus exorcises our "slavery to the fear of death."

Hebrews 2:14-15





BLESS	I will bless three people this week, at least one of whom is not a member of our church.
EAT	I will eat with three people this week, at least one of whom is not a member of our church.
LISTEN	I will spend at least one period of the week listening for the Spirit's voice.
LEARN	I will spend at least one period of the week learning Christ.
SENT	I will journal throughout the week about all the ways I alerted others to the universal reign of God through Christ.

Please stand if you are able.

PRAISE SONG

Beneath the Cross

BB 74

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus,
 I find a place to stand;
 And wonder at such mercy,
 That calls me as I am.
 For hands that should discard me,
 Hold wounds which tell me, "come."
 Beneath the cross of Jesus,
 My unworthy soul is won.

2. Beneath the cross of Jesus,
 His family is my own.
 Once strangers chasing selfish dreams,
 Now one through grace alone.
 How could I now dishonor
 The ones that You have loved?
 Beneath the cross of Jesus,
 See the children called by God.



3. Beneath the cross of Jesus,
The path before the crown,
We follow in His footsteps,
Where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us
To be His perfect bride.
Beneath the cross of Jesus,
We will gladly live our lives.

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: Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need. We turn to you for meaning, holy God. Nurture in your children the gifts of the Spirit poured out in baptism and let the mind of Christ guide the church. Give wisdom and discernment to our bishops, pastors, deacons, teachers, and leaders. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

We turn to you for meaning, holy God. Nurture in your children the gifts of the Spirit poured out in baptism and let the mind of Christ guide the church. Give wisdom and discernment to our bishops, pastors, deacons, teachers, and leaders. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for renewal. Save lives and ecosystems threatened by pollution and a changing climate. Cleanse the earth's waters and restore the soil. Preserve rainforests, deserts, and wildlife, that generations to come may cherish your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for justice. Uphold the worth and dignity of every person, especially any who experience hatred and rejection because of gender, ability, sexual orientation, color, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for healing. Send compassionate helpers to any who suffer because of war and violence. Shelter unhoused people, befriend those who are lonely, bring hope to any in despair, and console the bereaved (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for purpose. Remind us of your faithfulness to this congregation. Increase our trust in your guidance and keep us near the cross. Grant that our acts of service will express Christ's sacrificial love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We turn to you for peace. We honor the saints who lived in service to others. Inspire us by their example until you gather us into your kingdom. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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

P: Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through 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: Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

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 for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With 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

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: Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

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. 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 giving 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 songs until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.

1. As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

Refrain

You alone are my strength, my shield;
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

2. You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything. *Refrain*

3. I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver,
And the apple of my eye. *Refrain*

Lamb of God

1. Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God.
Oh, wash me in your precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

2. Your gift of love we crucified.
We laughed and scorned him as he died.
The humble king we named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. *Refrain*



3. I was so lost, I should have died,
But you have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God. *Refrain*

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: Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Go, Make Disciples

BB 49

Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.
Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time.

Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.
Go, be a city on a hill, so all can see that you're serving me.
(Repeat from beginning)

Ending

Go, make disciples.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share your bread.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, February 25 – *Welcome Mike Youse from Lutheran Camping Corporation!*

** The altar flowers are sponsored by Amy & Jeff Thompson in celebration of both of their birthdays! Jeff's was on the 21st and Amy's is today!*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Janet Musselman in memory of Harry.*

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

Livestream/Recorded Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

Social Room Reserved -- Afternoon

Monday, February 26

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday February 27

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6:30 p.m. (Classrooms, Social Room)

Wednesday, February 28

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday, February 29

Choir – 6:00 p.m.

Healing Service – 1 p.m.

Friday, March 1

Saturday, March 2

Sunday, March 3 – *Welcome John Dixon from Safe Families for Children!*

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

Livestream/Recorded Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

Scout Committee Meeting – 7 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

ZION'S MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

SHARING OUR TREASURES: February Update

Our financial budget for January 2024 predicted a deficit (expenses greater than income) of \$7,802. Our actual deficit, however, was **(\$23,702)**. Although we typically anticipate being behind the eight ball early in the year, this deficit is greater than expected. A substantial portion of the deficit can be attributed to the purchase of a new server at the cost of over \$8,000 (under the Administration expense category). While an unexpected expense, and therefore unbudgeted, this purchase was absolutely necessary and essential for the day-to-day operations and functioning of the church. Other expense categories operated under budget, helping to somewhat offset this extraordinary expense.

The other substantial and disappointing portion of the deficit can be attributed to reduction in income: it was down \$17,000 from the income a year ago in January 2023. Last January, we did benefit from a \$9,500 distribution from the Betty Lou Hoffman Trust and another \$1,280 from a non-repetitive source. What this means is that \$6,000 of the deficit can be attributed to a reduction in member offerings. This is the concern.

This year there will be a Stewardship focus on **generosity**. Hopefully as the year progresses, we will receive both man-inspired and Holy Spirit-inspired guidance on how we should respond to God's generosity to us.

Then celebrate the Festival of Weeks to the Lord your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the Lord your God has given you. –Deuteronomy 16:10

ZELC CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT January 2024

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	15,651	15,651
Administration	10,856	10,856
Property	14,763	14,763
Stewardship: Synod & Other Benevolence	2,257	2,257
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	1,787	1,787
Total Expenses	45,314	45,314
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings & Special Giving	21,612	21,612
Other		
Total Income	21,612	21,612
Difference	(23,702)	(23,702)

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In January, the pantry served 1,800 people, including 513 children, 902 adults, and 394 seniors. In addition, 14 new families were registered. Thank you to the 46 volunteers who donated 619 hours to help at the pantry!

Requested items this month: canned tuna, canned corn, canned pears, canned red beets, cereal, 1 lb. boxes of elbow macaroni, and 1 lb. boxes of spaghetti



This is the last day to give to the Joyful Noise for Anchor Lancaster to provide hot breakfasts and warm showers for the homeless. For more information, visit: <https://www.anchorlancaster.org/>



Beginning next week, contributions will go to Bridge of Hope, an organization that serves the homeless or individuals who are at risk of homelessness with rental assistance, and intensive case management as they work to achieve long term stability.

For more information, visit: <https://lancaster.bridgeofhopeinc.org>

HEALING SERVICES AT ZION DURING LENT

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 AT 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 AT 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 AT 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:15 a.m.

* The Wired Word: In the Zone and on Zoom

[Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>]

* The class that meets in the parlor will watch "Encounter Point" (2007), a documentary film that follows a former Israeli settler, a Palestinian ex-prisoner, a bereaved Israeli mother, and a wounded Palestinian bereaved brother who risk their lives and public standing to promote a nonviolent end to the conflict.

EMPTY PILL BOTTLE RECYCLING OUTREACH PROJECT

Bring in your empty, clean, unlabeled pill bottles and help improve health care in developing nations. Types of empty pill bottles that are being accepted include: prescription pill bottles, large and small pill bottles, pill bottles with and without child resistant caps, and over-the-counter pill bottles. Donations will be sent around the world and used to distribute medicine in sterile containers. This initiative is run by Matthew 25 Ministries. Place bottles in the bin in the narthex; contact Diane R. with questions.



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



Spring Quilting Retreat: March 15-17 at Kirchenwald

Come enjoy a weekend gathering of women to share fellowship and talents!

Register by March 8. Weekend: \$180; 2-Days (one overnight): \$110; Saturday: \$65

Summer Camp Open Houses: March 17 & April 14

**2-4:30 p.m. @ Kirchenwald
and Nawakwa**

Come meet some of the summer camp staff! Take a tour of the camp! Get a \$10 gift certificate for the camp store to new campers!



Earth Day Celebration: April 21

2-6 p.m. @ Kirchenwald

Enjoy an afternoon of environmental activities, games, and crafts at one of God's amazing creations: Camp Kirchenwald! An evening meal is included in the \$15 fee. All ages are welcome! R.S.V.P. to 717-677-8211 or [Lutherancamping.org](https://www.lutherancamping.org) by April 12.



For more information about these or other events at Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, or The Wittel Farm, visit: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/>



Dinner Church: March 3; April 7; May 5 5 p.m. @ The Wittel Farm

Dinner Church is a community gathered around a shared meal to listen, connect, sing, pray, eat, drink, and be with God in creation. Bring some food to share.



Work Days

April 27 @ Nawakwa

May 4 @ Kirchenwald

*Help us get our sites ready for the summer season.
Jobs available for all skill levels. Complimentary
lunch for all volunteers.*

For more information about these or other events at Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, or The Wittel Farm, visit: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/>

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

Devotional booklets for March-May are now available! Pick yours up on the usher table or on the window ledge in the back hallway. Take an extra to share with someone else!



*Thank you to all the
musicians at Zion!*

*We especially
appreciate Cory and
Doug for sharing
their talents with us
this morning!*

*We are grateful for
your ministry
of music!*





Kindling Faith
Center for Sabbath
Rest and Formation

A Special opportunity for lay and rostered leaders to empower congregations to work for justice.

Thursdays at noon EST on zoom: 2/15, 2/22, 2/29, 3/7. Each session is 90 minutes.

Cost is \$25.

To register, [please click here](#) or use QR code provided below:



Pillars of Sacred Justice Lenten Series

These sessions will help rostered leaders empower their congregations for the work of justice in our jobs, churches, families, and communities.

The first four Thursdays of Lent at Noon EST will include the following topics:

- ✚ Pillars of Sacred Justice.
- ✚ Helping our congregants and communities understand the mechanisms of injustice and our call to the work of justice.
- ✚ Holy imagination and equipping for the nitty gritty of justice work in the story of Esther.
- ✚ Leading by example as churches in preventing, confronting, and healing from injustice.

Series Presenter:

Sarah Driver is a writer and trainer on the work of justice with a focus on biblical grounding and practical equipping. She has worked for 25 years at local, state, and international levels on a range of justice issues from education reform and gender equality to human trafficking and spiritual abuse. She has lived and worked on four continents and holds a master's degree in social policy and development from the London School of Economics.





If you have ideas or are planning for anything, please let the office know so we're all kept in the loop!

2024 CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

THRU THE SPRING...

February

- 25: Social Room Reserved (Afternoon)
29: Healing Service (1 p.m.)

March

- 7: Healing Service (1 p.m.)
14: Community Meal
14: Healing Service (7:30 p.m.)
24: Palm Sunday Brunch (no SS)
28: Community Meal

April

- 11: Community Meal
14: Hempfield Choir Concert
25: Community Meal

May

- 4: Liederkrantz Spring Concert
9: Community Meal
19: Pentecost Brunch (no SS)
23: Community Meal
23: Choir Festival Concert

SUMMER AND BEYOND...

Suggested June-August

(Not yet scheduled)

- 2 outdoor worship services
- Bike/Hike on trail
- Progressive dinner
- Picnic lunches
- Open to suggestions!

September

- 8: Rally Day Catered Fellowship Luncheon (no SS)

October

- 3: Picnic at Lake Grubb
20: Crop Walk

December

- 7: Women of Zion Advent Breakfast
7: Liederkrantz Christmas Concert
22: Christmas Trivia during SS hour

COBYS FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION PRESENTS

PARENTING WORKSHOPS

For Parents, Kinship Caregivers and Resource & Adoptive Parents



CO-DEPENDENCY AND CONNECTION: RELATING TO THE PARENT(S) OF THE CHILDREN UNDER YOUR CARE

THURSDAY, MARCH 21
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM

FREE TO ALL PARENTS &
CAREGIVERS

LED BY KAY BELA, THERAPIST & WELLNESS COACH

Learn how to understand, connect, and relate to the parents of the children who are under your care. Discussion will revolve around codependence, enabling, boundaries, and communication with the adult children or parent(s) involved who may be incarcerated, in rehab, or elsewhere.

USING SENSORY CHANGES TO EMPOWER CHILDREN TO LEARN SELF-REGULATION

JOIN US VIA ZOOM

THURSDAY, APRIL 18
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM

LED BY REBECCA KING, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

Discussion led by a resource mom/occupational therapist on how sensory activities, diet, and lifestyle can be used to help children learn to self-regulate and empower themselves.

MINDFULNESS WITH YOUR CHILD

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM

TO REGISTER: 

LED BY MELISSA TERCH, SCHOOL COUNSELOR

What is mindfulness and how can it benefit your child? Learn practical techniques and activities that you and your child can do together!

MINDFUL SELF-COMPASSION FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

CERTIFICATES FOR TRAINING HOURS
ARE AVAILABLE

THURSDAY, JUNE 20
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM

LED BY LESLEY A. HUFF, PSYD

Eleanor Brown wisely stated, "You cannot serve from an empty vessel." Caring for others requires us to include ourselves. Join us for hands-on practices to learn how to stay present while caring for others, how to treat ourselves as kindly as we would treat a friend, and how this self-care is directly connected to the quality of care and connection we are able to offer.

To register for these FREE workshops, please visit

<https://cobys.org/family-support/programs-offered>



COBYS Family Life
Education Department
444 Murry Hill Circle
Lancaster, PA 17601

Questions? Please contact education@cobys.org or call 717-435-8139

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PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Dave Wauls	Dick Olson	Cindy Blough	Bob Shirk
Jess Barcaro	Sam King	Bill Grove	Connie Alsedek
Joe Adams	Mary Zimmerman	Marvin Ruch	Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll	Holly Hoover	Barb Williams	John Hay
Kay Crawford	Tom Grzybowski	Dolly Overly	
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		Ed Illick (Husband of Pastor Pam Illick)	
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)		Renee Willamon (Friend of Pat Landis)	
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)			
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)			
Isaac Miller (Great nephew of Judy & Bob Traup)			
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson; Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)			
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			
Rev. David Klepper (Father of Dave Klepper and friend of the congregation)			

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)	
Diane Gerlach and her family on the death of her brother, Bob Steinmetz			
Cathy Shirk on the death of her friend, Tammy Jacobs			
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!

Today – Amy Thompson, Kacey Moore	27 th – Brad Sherwood, Juliette Moore
26 th – Tucker Wright	3 rd – Rick Rainar

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
Livestream & Recorded Link
Bible Study Class (Parlor)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
http://bit.ly/Zion_Live
Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>

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