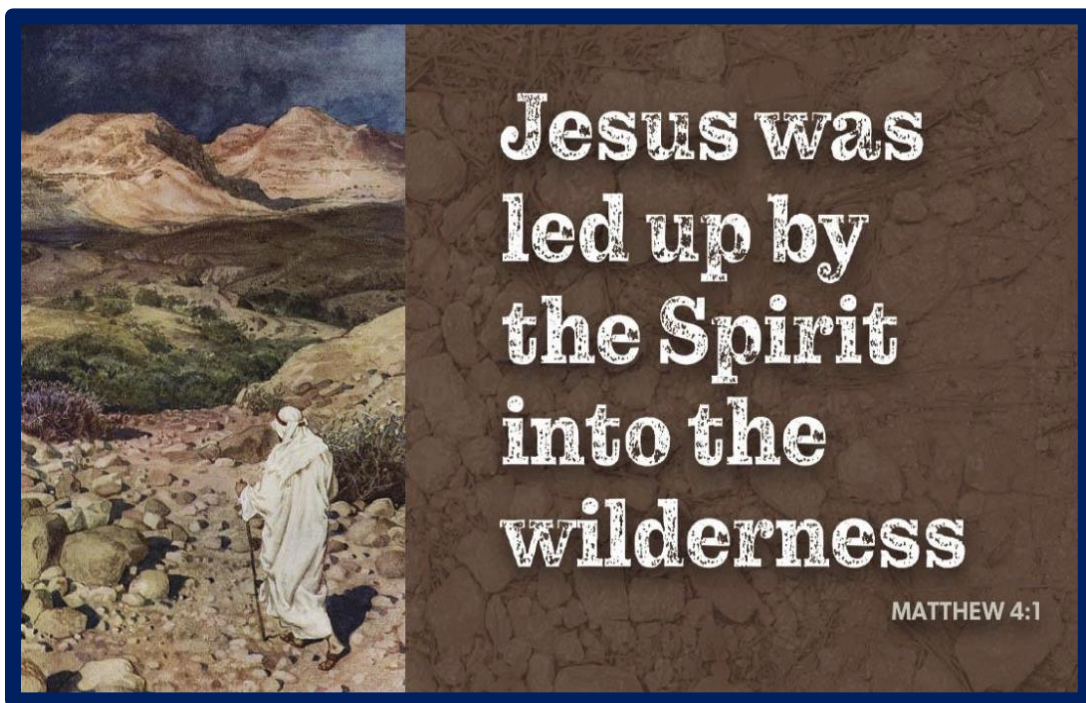


# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

*A Service of Word & Sacrament*

*February 26, 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 on this First Sunday in Lent. Today we are blessed to welcome The Rev. James Dunlop, Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod (ELCA). Bishop Dunlop will be preaching and helping to lead worship this morning. For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, they are available on the table in the Narthex by the entrance to the Sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). 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:** 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.

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

- ❖ Mask wearing is optional for all who attend or participate in indoor gatherings, including worship, at the church.
- ❖ Communion is distributed in continuous fashion or you may take one of the communion kits at the back of the Sanctuary if you prefer to commune at your seat.
- ❖ 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 and to the offering plates.

# First Sunday in Lent

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

## † THE GATHERING †

### INTRODUCTION

*Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.*

### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

### PRELUDE

*Prelude on "Ein Feste Burg"*

arr. Sandra Gay

*Please stand if you are able.*

### OPENING HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW 504

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.      The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed.      You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us.      Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap-ons of the Spir - it.      Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe!      With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he!      Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage!      His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse,      though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight.      On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored.      He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail!      One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day.      The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther  
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## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.*

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who journeys with us these forty days,  
 and sustains us with the gift of grace.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and  
 God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy God,

C: **we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave his only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, † forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

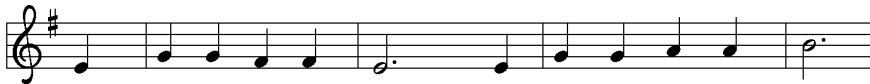
C: **Amen.**

### **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.**

### **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!

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through 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 2:15-17. 3:1-7**

*Eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.*

A: <sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

<sup>3:1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 32**

*Please read responsively.*

A: <sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

**C: <sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

**<sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**<sup>6</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

<sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**<sup>8</sup>I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**

<sup>9</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

**<sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

## **Romans 5:12-19**

*Death came through one; life comes through one.*

A: <sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man’s trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man’s sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man’s trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

*When Peace Like a River*

**arr. John Purifoy**

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**

*Please stand if you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

**ELW 599**

1. Lord Jesus, think on me,  
And purge away my sin;  
From selfish passions set me free  
And make me pure within.

**Matthew 4:1-11**

*The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness for forty days.*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"



<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**Bishop James Dunlop**

*Please stand if you are able.*

**SERMON HYMN**

*O Lord, throughout These Forty Days*

**ELW 319**

1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you  
 2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your  
 3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and  
 4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and

prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance  
 faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your  
 fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -  
 all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal



for our sin, and free us from our past.  
 skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.  
 ny our - selves that we may know God's love.  
 Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930  
 Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003  
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## 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:** Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future.

Merciful God,

**C:** **receive our prayer.**

You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards, that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labor. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You offer abundance to all. Bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Care for those who tend to the needs of others. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You alone are God. We praise you for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

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

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; 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: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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

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 and taste the joy of God!

C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

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

*All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament. You may commune in your pew with one of the individually packaged kits or you may commune 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 COMMUNING WITH THE KITS**

*Open the wafer packet.*

P: The body of Christ given for you.

C: **Amen.**

*Open the cup.*

P: The blood of Christ shed for you.

C: Amen.

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

**FOR THOSE COMMUNING BY COMING FORWARD**

*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 hymn until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.*

**COMMUNION SONG**

***Commune with Me***

**BB 60**

1. Commune with me, commune with me,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
Commune with me.  
Commune with me, commune with me,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
Commune with me.
2. I worship You, I worship You,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
I worship You.  
I worship You, I worship You,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
I worship You.
3. I'll meet You there, I'll meet You there,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
I'll meet You there.  
I'll meet You there, I'll meet You there,  
Between the wings of the cherubim,  
I'll meet You there.

*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: Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

C: **Amen.**

## † THE SENDING †

## BLESSING

P: God, the giver of love, † Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

C: **Amen.**

## SENDING SONGS

### *Jesus, Still Lead On*

ELW 624



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the  
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less  
3 When we seek re - lief from a long-felt grief, when temp-ta - tions  
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n-ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;  
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.  
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.  
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.  
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.  
Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM. Adam Drese. 1620–1701

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve in love.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

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*Please join us for Brunch with the Bishop  
in the Social Room following worship!*



## **The Devil Doesn't Wear Tights**

No one believes in the existence of the devil these days, do they? Do you? Perhaps we can thank Hollywood and Halloween's marketing blitz for our casual if not incredulous approach to the devil's existence. Pointy horns, pitch forks, red costumes, and box office ticket sales continue to shape our culture's collective consciousness of the devil. Though red tights and long tails may be a frightening thought as you consider a costume for a Halloween party, they do nothing to communicate the true terror of an honest-to-God encounter with the devil's power.

This Lent we are called to expunge the fantastical images of the devil from our minds and think seriously about the real presence of evil in our world. We know firsthand about the sin that caused, causes, and will cause suffering to us, our loved ones, our neighbors, our global communities, and creation itself. Sin is real; suffering is real; evil is real; indeed, the devil is real. This oppressive, tangible reality is as real as the air we breathe—felt but not always seen. Greed, envy, rage, hatred, war, discrimination, and apathy are just some of the ways the devil's forces wreak havoc upon us. These forces have one goal and one goal only: to turn us away from the will of God.

Matthew's gospel reorients us to the truth of the devil's power, and calls us to name Satan's presence in the world. In the wilderness Jesus encounters an evil as real as its opposite, resurrection. The great tempter seeks to undermine Jesus' mission before he even begins; testimony that evil has much to fear of our Jesus! Nonetheless, Jesus will not be dissuaded. "Away with you, Satan!" proclaims the redeemer of the cosmos. Thus, the Lenten journey begins—a journey that takes us to the cross, where the devil is named and crushed underfoot.



## **THIS WEEK AT ZION**

### **Sunday, February 26 – Welcome Bishop Dunlop**

\* *The altar flowers are sponsored by Amy Thompson in honor of the birthday of Jeff's mom, Joanne.*

\* *The bulletins are sponsored by Lisa Nelson in honor of February birthdays in her family: Ben, Juliette, and Kacey.*

\* *The communion elements are sponsored in appreciation for Mary and Scott Hetrick for their leadership and efforts in planning and providing the community meals.*

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

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

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

Brunch with the Bishop – Following Worship

No Adult Sunday School

PSU Basketball Game – Afternoon/Evening (Advanced Tickets Only)

Sanctuary Reserved – 3 p.m.

### **Monday, February 27**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Tuesday, February 28**

Bible Study – 9-10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6 p.m. (Classrooms)

### **Wednesday, March 1**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Thursday, March 2**

Lenten Study – 11 a.m. (Holy Spirit, Columbia Ave.)

Lunch/Fellowship following the study (Centerville Diner)

Community Meal – 5:30 p.m.

Choir – 6 p.m.

### **Friday, March 3**

### **Saturday, March 4**

### **Sunday, March 5**

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

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

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

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Box Office Bible Study Class (“God Heard Their Cry”) – Parlor

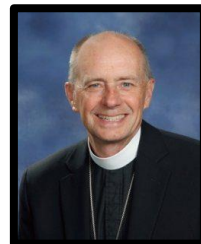
Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, GOD-SIGHTINGS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

### WELCOME BISHOP DUNLOP

We welcome Bishop Dunlop to worship today to preach and to help lead the service. Everyone is invited and welcome to stay after worship to enjoy “Brunch with the Bishop” in the Social Room.

*Note: There will be no Sunday School.*



### **BEGINNING THIS THURSDAY!!**

## COME AND EXPLORE WITH US IN LENT!

- **The First Century Context: Why the Romans crucified people**  
*Pastor Bob Ierien (Redeemer Lutheran, Lancaster)*
- **The Cross and those whose “backs are against the wall”**  
*Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown (Zion Lutheran, Landisville)*
- **The “Medical” or “CSI” aspects of the cross**  
*Dr. Marilyn Knaub (Holy Spirit, Lancaster)*
- **How does the cross save us? (2,000 years of interpretation)**  
*Pastor Gretchen Ierien (Holy Spirit, Lancaster)*
- **How Jesus waged peace during Holy Week**

**Thursdays in March at 11am**  
at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

3131 Columbia Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603  
(717) 394-6771



*After each session, you're invited to continue the fellowship with lunch at Centerville Diner!*

*NEED A RIDE?!? There are members lined up to provide transportation. Contact Judy Traup (717-898-0625).*

## TALENT/HOBBY SHOWCASE – One month from today!



Do you have a hidden talent or hobby no one knows about? As a way to continue getting to know each other better, we are looking for members who would be willing to share and display their talent/hobby after church on Sunday, March 26 in the Zone. In one month from today, you could be sharing your poetry, music, drawing, painting, carving, calligraphy, sewing, knitting, crocheting, stained glass, baking, or something else altogether! There will be time to fellowship, have snacks, and check out the displays. Please contact Diane Ramer (717-951-2587) if you are interested in participating!

## B.Y.O.B. (BRING YOUR OWN BEAR)

Diane Ramer and Judy Traup recently visited the Penn State Pediatric Clinic and Urgent Care facility to speak with them about the possibility of our church donating small teddy bears for their patients.

The staff was very receptive and excited about this offer! While Thrivent Dollars can purchase some, \$250 will not buy nearly enough needed for the patients.

*If you would like to be a part of this outreach project, please BYOB through the Lenten season. Here's the scoop:* When you bring in your teddy bears (or other small stuffed animals), please place them on the window sills in the Sanctuary. After Lent ends, they will be blessed during worship and then delivered to the Clinic. *Your participation in this outreach opportunity is appreciated!* The hope is that the stuffies will provide a little extra comfort and cheer to the children on a difficult day. Questions? Contact Diane Ramer or Judy Traup.



Today is the last day to give to the Joyful Noise offering for Off the Streets, an organization that helps families and individuals get off the streets and into permanent

housing. In March, this collection will go to the housing services of Bethany Christian Services.



## EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to hear more information about the possibility of an evening bible study. A day and time will be decided based on when it is convenient for those who would come!



## SERMON ON THE MOUNT DEVOTIONALS

The booklets of daily prayer readings for throughout the week based on the *Sermon on the Mount* are available on the ushers' table in the Narthex and on the window sill in the back hallway. Pastor Tim is encouraging all to pick up a copy and use it as a devotion at the beginning and end of each day.



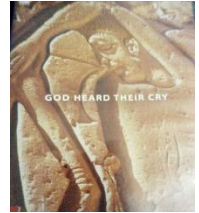
## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Following worship at 10:30 a.m. (Except Today)



WIRED WORD: In the Zone and on Zoom  
(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)



BOX OFFICE BIBLE STUDY ("God Heard Their Cry"): In the Parlor



## OFFERING ENVELOPES

Although numbered envelopes still haven't arrived, there are stacks of generic ones on the tables at the front and back of the Sanctuary by the offering plates. You are welcome to take one of these envelopes for your offering if you'd like.

## PSU BASKETBALL GAME WITH MEN OF ZION

This afternoon is the basketball game! If your schedule opened up and you're interested but don't have a ticket yet, there may still be some left! Contact Dave D. ([davedumeyer@gmail.com](mailto:davedumeyer@gmail.com)).



## FLOWER, BULLETIN, & COMMUNION ELEMENTS SPONSORS NEEDED



Please sign up to sponsor the flowers (3/5 or 3/12); the bulletins (3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26), or the communion elements (March, April). Cost is \$40 for flowers and bulletins per week, and \$35 for communion elements per month. This is a special way to honor, remember, or celebrate someone or an occasion! And, THANK YOU to everyone who has already sponsored this year or is signed up to sponsor in the coming months! ❤️



Are you getting to know people in the congregation a little better than before?!? Are you finding new people with similar interests or experiences?!? The next 5 questions are included below following the answers to last week's questions! Stay tuned for more questions next week! ☺

## ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S QUESTIONS

21. Who grew up on Chocolate Avenue in Hershey with a Hershey Kiss street light right outside her 3rd floor bedroom window? She was an elementary school teacher of 1st and 3rd grades, then taught ESL for the last 2 years before retirement. She loves tennis, yoga, reading, and walking with friends. **DENISE HAUN**
22. Born in Hazleton, this church member used to own a basket sales and supplies store in East Petersburg. Crocheting and reading are her favorite hobbies. **JO STONE**
23. Who started as a high school history teacher at Hempfield HS, then moved on to government work by being a former GOP chairman in Lancaster as well as being a member of West Hempfield Board of Supervisors? **DAVE DUMEYER**
24. Who grew up on a farm, learned to drive a tractor and truck at age 6, graduated from Purdue and then worked in management at Conestoga Tours? He enjoys woodworking and stained-glass art. **DARRELL GERKE**
25. Who amongst us gets up at 4:21 am Monday through Friday to workout at Hempfield Rec? Rather than go back to bed, she also plays tennis, loves to iron, loves shopping and can be seen working at Central Market. **JENN PIPKIN**

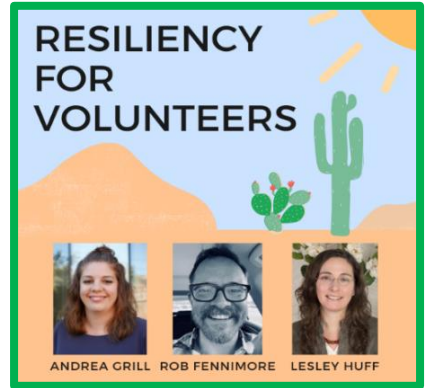
## THIS WEEK'S QUESTIONS

26. Who is the local boy who graduated from Elizabethtown HS in '72 and went on to be a jockey driver/dock person at Yellow Freight? He loves biking and rode 7,011 miles during Covid shutdown. PS: He knows about shoe repair!
27. Who grew up in Philadelphia, graduated from Lock Haven and became a physical education teacher and sports official for school teams? He enjoys basket weaving.
28. Who grew up in York, graduated from Bucknell University, then became a Relay Test Engineer at PPL Electric? He owns 2 collector cars and is a member of the Lancaster County Corvette Club.
29. A local boy, this member graduated from Susquehanna University with a B. A. in music. He used his talents at Sight and Sound Theatre for 30 years, and 6 years as a choir director. One of his original puzzles was published in GAMES Magazine.
30. This member grew up in New Brunswick NJ. While attending Indiana University of PA, she spent some time studying abroad at Valladolid, Spain. Recently, she visited Krakow, Poland, where her ancestors lived—touring the salt mine in which her ancestors once worked. She found a coffee shop with her family name.

# THE PARISH RESOURCE CENTER UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 27 from 7–8:30 p.m. via Zoom; \$11**


*We are constantly working through difficult situations and the resulting emotions in our families, volunteer work, and workplaces. Learn from our panel of experts about how they build and maintain their personal and professional resilience, to help you find your own resilience and hope.*





**THIS WEEK...**

## What's Next? Church after COVID

February 28th, 7-8:30pm



Led by  
Erin Cox-Holmes  
Donegal Presbytery



Church Life Workshop

## Food Program Best Practices

March 7th, 7-8:30pm



Community Action Partnership



CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA FOOD BANK



2023 Cherry Academy  
Food Insecurity



## Spiritual Care with Marginalized Individuals

March 9th, 7-8:30pm



Led by  
Anne Blackwood  
Anabaptist Spiritual Director



Church Life Workshop



**More information about these and other events at:**  
<https://connectprc.org/programming/>



**The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania**

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm

PO Box 459, Arendtsville, PA 17303

717-677-8211 • www.LutheranCamping.org



**LENTEN DAY APART AT THE WITTEL FARM**

March 4; 9:00 a.m.-3 p.m. ←

\$15

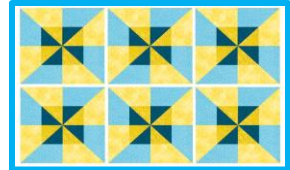
*Begin your Lenten journey to Easter by joining us for a day apart.*



**QUILTING WEEKEND AT KIRCHENWALD**

March 17-19; \$180

*Bring your own projects or learn techniques from experienced quilters. Enjoy a weekend apart.*



**SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSES AT KIRCHENWALD, NAWAKWA, AND THE WITTEL FARM**

March 19 and April 16; 2-4:30 p.m.

*Come meet some of the summer camp staff, take a tour of the camp, and get a \$10 gift certificate to the camp store!*



**COME CELEBRATE EARTH DAY AT KIRCHENWALD**

April 23; 2-6 p.m.

*Enjoy an afternoon of environmental activities, games, and crafts within God's creation. An evening meal is included in the \$15 fee. All ages welcome.*



**COME HELP SPRUCE UP THE CAMPS**

April 29; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Nawakwa)

May 6; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Kirchenwald)

**SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION**

*There are camps for all ages and interests at both Kirchenwald and at Nawakwa. If camp isn't for you, maybe your grandchild, nephew, niece, cousin, neighbor would be interested! Help spread the word about the opportunities throughout the summer!*



**More information about these and other events at:**

***<https://www.lutherancamping.org/upcoming-events/>***



# DO YOU KNOW WHOM TO GO TO WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT EVENTS AT KIRCHENWALD, NAWAKWA, OR THE WITTEL FARM?? ZION HAS A “CAMPPERSON” WHO CAN ANSWER ALL YOUR QUESTIONS!

Diane Ramer will be posting flyers for all the upcoming events!

Watch the bulletin board across from the mailboxes in the Narthex!

Maybe you're not up for camping anymore, but there are many other events happening at the camps that you might be interested in (and don't require sleeping in a cabin)!



Check out the bulletin board, the announcements in the bulletin & weekly newsletter, and online for more information about what's happening!



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

Bob Shirk  
Cathy Benedict  
Tom Grzybowski  
Lisa Nelson  
Jess Barcaro  
Harry Musselman  
Sam King  
Connie Alsedek  
Joe Adams  
Mary Zimmerman  
Marvin Ruch  
Kate Donnan  
Bill Grove  
Judie Ingersoll  
Joan Mays  
Holly Hoover  
Barb Williams  
Kay Crawford  
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)  
Walter Thalgot (Brother of Thelma Pearson)  
Jeff Bradley (Friend of Al Ramer)  
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)  
Shirley Shiner (Stepmother of Jenn Pipkin)  
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)  
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)  
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)  
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)  
Ernie Johnson (Friend of Barb Williams)  
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

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

Thelma Pearson  
Lucy Davis  
Betty Stoner  
Deb McCartney  
George Potts  
Arlene Miller

Dave Albin and family on the death of his mother, Betty, on Feb. 15.

The family and friends of Richard Heim

The family and friends of Baby Koda who passed away recently at the age of only 5 months.

Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)

Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)

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)

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

Evan Benedict

Christopher Wright

Chris Andrew

Thom Whitesel

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Justin Gorklaski

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!**

27<sup>th</sup> - Brad Sherwood

29<sup>th</sup> - Maddox Miller

3<sup>rd</sup> - Rick Rainar

4<sup>th</sup> - Connie Alsedek, Andrew Bernhard, Barb Wildasin

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

4<sup>th</sup> - Steve & Denise Haun

## **MINISTRY LEADERS**

Ministers	Members of the Congregation
Pastor	Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
Guest Preacher	Bishop James Dunlop (ELCA Lower Susquehanna Synod)
Music Director	John Landis
Parish Administrator	Anne Rankin
Worship Technology Assistant	David Albin
Lay Ministry Assistant	Diane Gerlach
Council President	Kim Paternoster
Council Vice President	Denise Haun
Sextons	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>
Bible Study Focus Class (Parlor)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except today)
Wired Word Class (Zone)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except today) <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</a>
Lenten Study (Thursdays in March)	11 a.m. @ Holy Spirit (Columbia Ave., Lanc.)
Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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