

Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

A Service of Word & Sacrament

January 11, 2026

**THIS IS
MY SON,
THE
BELOVED**

MATTHEW 3:17



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). Please note that those who are remembered in the liturgical calendar are included in the Prayers of the Faithful. If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim. This morning we welcome James Landis as guest organist.

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

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. Kids of all ages are invited to come forward for the Children's Chat. After the Children's Chat, all children are welcome to leave the service to attend Sunday School. 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.



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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

P: God moves toward us in Holy Baptism. Here we are invited to keep the Main Thing
C: **the Main Thing.**

Loved people,
love people.

Blessed people,
bless people.

Named people,
name people Beloved.

Today, we witness John baptizing Jesus, the Servant of Isaiah bringing light without breaking the weak, and the Crucified One raised by the Spirit. Under open heavens, we are beloved, sent to gently serve a needy world.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Morning Star

arr. Dorothy Wells

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: In the name of the Father, and of the **☩** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your

Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

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

Amen.

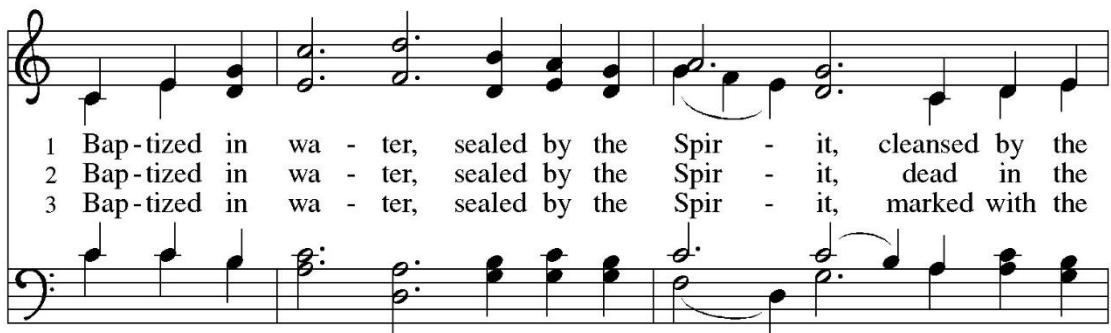
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \ddagger Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Baptized in Water

ELW 456



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of salvation, trust-ing his
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris-ing, freed and for-
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir-it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith-ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank-ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Saward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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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: O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through 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 †

ISAIAH 42:1-9

There are several passages about “God’s servant” in this part of Isaiah. It’s not clear whether they originally referred to the author, to the king, or to a personification of the whole nation of Judah. To Christian ears, of course, they describe Jesus.

A: ⁷¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry out or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth, and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵ Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶ I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸ I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. ⁹ See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 29

Please read responsively.

The chief god of many of Israel’s neighbors (often a storm god, like Thor) became the ruler by defeating a monster which personified the chaotic ocean. Israel’s God has no need to fight a monster – God’s sovereignty is complete and unquestioned – but this psalm declares that the storm and the waters (like Jordan in the Gospel) do God’s will.

A: ¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

² Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God’s name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

⁴ The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶ the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the Lord bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸ The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹ The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, “Glory!”

¹⁰ The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

¹¹ O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

ACTS 10:34-43

Peter has been led by God to Cornelius, a Roman centurion, and pulled into proclaiming the Gospel to Gentiles. His proclamation begins with a reference to Jesus' baptism.

A: ³⁴ Peter began to speak to Cornelius and his household: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality,” ³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify

that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S CHAT & DISMISSAL FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

MATTHEW 3:13-17

John the Baptist has just warned that he is only preparing the way for one greater than himself.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

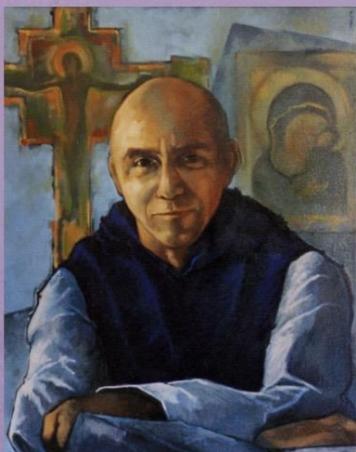
P: ¹³ Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown



If we wait for others
to become
agreeable or
attractive before we
love them, then we
will never begin.

— Thomas Merton

Fulfilling all righteousness=

- 1. Standing in solidarity with sinners.**
- 2. Bringing us into right relationship
with God and each other.**
- 3. Beginning God's work
of restoring community.**

Please stand if you are able.

SERMON HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

ELW 310

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak-en ed bod - y, faint-ing soul;
 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
 and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;
 grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
 man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:
 that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,

an - them be to thee ad - dressed,
 an - them be to thee ad - dressed,
 an - them be to thee ad - dressed,
 and may praise thee, ev - er blest,
 God in flesh made man - i - fest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

NICENE CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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

ELW note: "and the Son" reflects the Western tradition.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Steadfast God, give courage to your servant church. Heal our divisions and unite us in mission. Uphold our lay leaders, missionaries, pastors, and bishops—Bishop Yehiel Curry, Bishop Stephen Herr, and Bishop Edward Mwaihaba—and all who proclaim hope in a broken world.

receive our prayer.

Restoring God, cleanse the life-giving waters of rivers, seas, springs, Little Chickies Creek, Susquehanna River, and Chesapeake Bay. Create in us an urgent desire to preserve the beauty and bounty of your good creation. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Righteous God, you guide the nations. Reconcile warring enemies and end cycles of violent retribution. Defend the rights of prisoners, detainees, and all who flee from persecution. Sustain international aid workers and peacemakers, including Global Refuge and Church World Service. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Compassionate God, you care for all in distress. Provide safety and support for those seeking asylum or in need of shelter. Be near to the dying, and comfort all who are grieving or ill especially those in Zion's prayer lists. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Loving God, awaken the gifts of the Spirit here at Zion, that we may serve Christ by loving one another, our neighbors, and our enemies. We pray for travelers and those who are homebound. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Promising God, in baptism we die and rise with Christ. We give thanks for those who have gone before us, and we trust that we will join them in your everlasting peace. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

† THE MEAL †

PRAYER

A: Let us pray. God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, 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: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

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 song until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.



COMMUNION SONGS

Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW 471

1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing
 sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God

ELW 458

1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing be to God our
2 Not our own ho - li - ness, nor that we have
3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come in vis - i -
4 Praise to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

mak - er, source of all bless - ing, prod - i - gal cre -
striv - en brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have
ta - tion; you are the truth, our hope, and our sal -
Spir - it: one Lord, one faith, one source of ev - 'ry

a - tor. Bap - tized and made your own, now we come be -
giv - en. Bap - tized and set a - part, strength - en us, O
va - tion. Bap - tize with joy and pow'r, give, O Dove de -
mer - it. Here now re - new your church through this sym - bol

fore you, and we a - dore you.
Sav - ior, with grace and fa - vor.
scend - ing, life nev - er end - ing.
giv - en; grant peace from heav - en.

Text: H. Francis Yardley, 1911-1990; Frank J. Whiteley, b. 1914, alt.
Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681
Text © H. Francis Yardley and Frank J. Whiteley.

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: Let us pray. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

COUNCIL INSTALLATION/REAFFIRMATION (See insert)

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise † bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Spirit of God, Descent Upon My Heart

ELW 800



1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,



wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:

stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scand - ed dove,

and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780–1860
 Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–1897

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
 C" Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Prelude in G Major

J.S. Bach

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, January 11 – Baptism of Our Lord Sunday; John on vacation (Welcome James!)

* The altar flowers are sponsored by Nancy & Rodger Myers in honor of Nate & Dani's 25th anniversary on January 5.

* The communion elements are sponsored by the Gundel families to the glory of God, along with their prayer that the love of our Savior Jesus Christ will continue to surround the precious family of Zion during the coming year.

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

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw

Children's Sunday School – Kids are excused after the Children's Chat

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

This class is beginning a 6-week series focusing on a major tenet of the Confessional Christian Church: the Apostles Creed. Credo is a Latin expression meaning "I believe." This video course, led by Adam Hamilton, will explain this fundamental statement of our Christianity. Join us in the opportunity to explore who we are by what we believe.

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

This class considers the scripture lessons through discussion centering around their relevance and application to contemporary issues.

Monday, January 12

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Finance – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 14

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Care Team – 3 p.m.

Zion Arts – 7 p.m. (Marrs' Home)

Thursday, January 15

Choir – 6 p.m.

Friday, January 16

Saturday, January 17

Social Room Reserved – 1-5 p.m.

Sunday, January 18

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Our Daily Bread and Christ in Our Homes devotionals can be found on the ushers' table and on the window sill ledge in the back hallway across from the choir room. The January-March Christ in Our Homes booklet is now available. Help yourself!

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for the new year have been distributed in church mailboxes. Some envelope numbers have changed from last year's ... be sure to use the correct envelopes!

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING: JANUARY

Through January this social outreach special collection will go to Grace Lutheran Church to help offset the rental and cleaning costs of the port-a-potty at their homeless shelter. The ongoing expense of this ministry is \$100/month – the church is grateful for all contributions that help support their mission to provide adequate facilities for those in need.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children are invited to go with their teachers after the Children's Chat for Sunday School. Class will be held each Sunday at this time during the service. Questions? See Denise Haun.

BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. in the parlor and focuses on the scriptures and their related topics. Everyone is welcome – come discover the message God has for each of us!

JOURNEYS: A GROUP TO SUPPORT WELLNESS

Journeys will continue to meet in 2026 on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the parlor: January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Attention All Ministry Teams: Please email Anne your end of year report and goals for 2026! Short and sweet is perfectly fine – the main thing is that it reflects what was accomplished and how the team plans to carry out the mission of the church in 2026.

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>

WINTER BASKETBALL AT PSU: OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS & FRIENDS



Zion's Men's Group has tickets to the PSU basketball game on Sat., Feb. 28 at 12 Noon at the Bryce Jordan Center at Penn State University. There are tickets for 20 seats – first come, first served! Ticket price is \$10/person. If you are interested in carpooling, meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. This will give us enough time to stop en route. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those who wish to attend. This has become an annual event and we hope that you will join us! Questions? See Dave Dumeyer or John Marrs.

2026 FLOWER, BULLETIN, AND COMMUNION ELEMENTS SPONSORS

The sign-up sheets for all three of these sponsorship opportunities are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex across from the mailboxes. Cost is \$40 for flowers, \$40 for bulletins, and \$35 for communion elements. You can pay online using the new VANCO giving site (<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZM24/home>).

FOOD PANTRY REQUESTED ITEMS

Peanut butter (1 pound size)	Strawberry jelly	Tomato paste
Spaghetti sauce	Canned mandarin oranges	Canned pears
Canned pineapple	Canned chick peas	Canned spinach
Canned chicken (regular size)	Lentils (1-pound bags)	Canned red beets



With the biggest game of the year coming up, let's have a winning drive! On February 8, the top teams from the AFC and the NFC (which will be determined by the playoff games over the next few weeks) will go head-to-head in the Super Bowl.



Meanwhile here at Zion, we will have our own playoffs as we collect food and monetary donations for the pantry. Donations can be dropped off in the narthex where you will see a display of the teams. You can show your support of either team by putting your donations in the team's bin. This year, the goal is 500 items and \$500.



On Super Bowl Sunday, you are invited to wear your favorite team's jersey or colors. And, of course, at the heart of it here, the pantry is the real winner for providing food to those in need.

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

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/>

Lutheran Camping Corporation

PARENTS GROUP AT NAWAKWA

Whether you are a parent with older or younger kids, you are invited to find a community and talk about the joys and struggles of parenting. Find a community that can lift you up and remind you of the blessings of parenting through the journey.

COME ON YOUR OWN

**COME WITH YOUR
SPOUSE**

COME WITH YOUR KIDS

COME WITH A FRIEND

Details

First Saturday of the month at Nawakwa's Lower Camp Dining Hall

10-12 children activities provided
12-1pm lunch provided

**UPCOMING
GATHERINGS**
Saturdays:
February 7
&
March 7

CHICKEN & WAFFLES AT NAWAKWA

Spend a Sunday afternoon at camp with a homemade chicken & waffles meal! Invite a neighbor or grandchild and have them bring their sled (if there's snow!)

**Sunday,
January 18
12:00-2:00 p.m.**

A free will offering will be taken.

RSVP 717-677-8211



WINTER FUN DAYS AT KIRCHENWALD

Bring your family or neighbors and enjoy an afternoon on Kirchenwald's award-winning toboggan run or have fun ice-skating on the lake. There will also be hot chocolate in the lodge!

**Sunday, January 18
Sunday, February 15
1:00-5:00 p.m.**

RSVP 717-677-8211



TUESDAY MORNING WORK DAYS AT NAWAKWA

Join Paul Askey, our property manager, in assisting with work around Nawakwa on the first Tuesday of each month. Work is anything from maintaining our trails to hanging pictures/plaques.

Nawakwa is a large property, and your help will not only help us maintain our property and buildings but make them better.

Your hands, God's work.

Start time is 9 a.m. Meet in the camp office. End time is flexible with your personal schedule.

We will have coffee and donuts!





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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WORK RETREAT

Come together as God's community to serve one another and the surrounding community of Nawakwa for a weekend of service! We will be serving camp and local organizations. Working could include making blankets, packing care kits, and working on camp facilities. There will also be games, a winter hike, and worship. Put your faith into action this weekend through service work with Nawakwa.

WHO

This retreat is for adults, families, youth, and even youth groups!

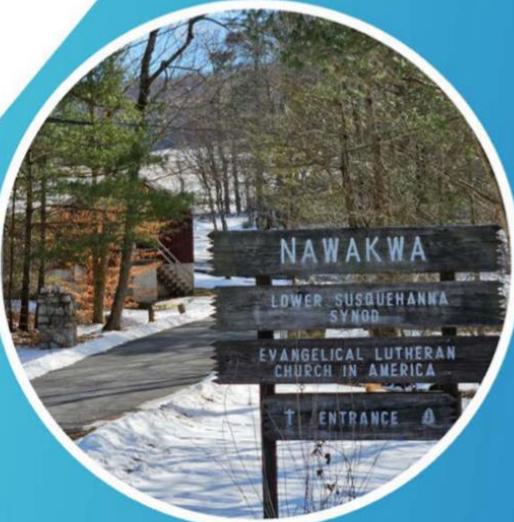
HOW MUCH?

\$210 PER PERSON!

All meals on Saturday and Sunday, and Monday
Brunch included!

January 16-19, 2026

**Camp Nawakwa
1033 Nawakwa Rd
Arendtsville, PA**



Register Now:

lutherancamping.org/mlk
717-677-8211 (HEY!)

CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Worship: Every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

JANUARY

17: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Centerville Diner, 100 S. Centerville Rd.)

17: Social Room & Kitchen Reserved (1-5p.m.)

20: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

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

FEBRUARY

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

14: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)

15: Scout Sunday

15: All-Church Thank You Breakfast after Worship (Sponsored)

17: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

18: Ash Wednesday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)

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

28: PSU Basketball Game Outing (Depart Zion @ 8:30; Game begins at 12 Noon)

MARCH

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

14: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)

15: Elizabethtown College Choir Performance (During Worship)

17: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

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

27: Pinewood Derby Set-up (Tentative) (Social Room reserved)

28: Pinewood Derby (Tentative) (Social Room reserved all day)

29: Palm/Passion Sunday Worship (9 a.m.)

APRIL

2: Maundy Thursday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)

3: Good Friday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)

5: Easter Sunday Worship (9 a.m.; Sanctuary)

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

11: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)

21: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

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

MAY

2: Lancaster Liederkranz Concert (4 p.m.; Sanctuary)

9: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)

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

14: Landisville Area Church Choir Festival (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)

19: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)

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

PRAYER LIST

HEALING

Joan & Burnell Hostetter

Joan Mays

Janet Musselman

Al Alsedek

Julia Grove

Holly Hoover

Deb Overly

John Gerlach

Dave Wauls

Connie Alsedek

Bob Shirk

Dave Wise

Kathryn Kochel

Joe Adams

Jess Barcaro

Bill Grove

Kay Crawford

Judie Ingersoll

Barb Williams

Kate Donnan

Sam King

Tom Grzybowski

Elaine Aulenbach (Wife of Dave Aulenbach)

Dennis Barcaro (Jess Barcaro's father-in-law)

Sandy Marrs (Mother of John Marrs)

Tina Weigner (Friend of Adele King)

Lissa James (Niece of Connie Alsedek)

Jack Taylor (Son of Deb Grube's niece)

Arabelle Page (Student of Amy Thompson)

Fred Boyle (Friend of Bob & Judy Traup)

Joanne Myers (Friend of Connie Alsedek)

Bob Hobaugh (Friend of Deb & Rick Long)

Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

Angie Immel (Step-Granddaughter of Bob & Judy Traup)

Zac & Cindy Zibura (Neighbor of John & Joanne Marrs)

Randy Smith (Father-in-law of Adele King's daughter)
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)
Kara Escalante (Goddaughter of Barb & Tom Williams)
James Marks (Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)

COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Lucy Davis
Bill Piper
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)
Brooke Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)
Dennis & Marie Dezort and the extended family of Thelma Pearson

PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Doug Kautter
Chris Andrew
Evan Benedict
Justin Gorlaski
Christopher Wright
Thom Whitesel
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

Masebe congregation
Konde Diocese
Stephen Herr (Bishop, LSS)
Pastor Subi Mwakitalima
Yehiel Curry (Presiding Bishop, ELCA)
Pastor Lucille ("CeCee") Mills (Secretary, ELCA)
Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Bishop, Konde Diocese)
Imran M. Siddiqui (Vice President of the ELCA)

CELEBRATING

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

11 th : Dave Klepper	12 th : Nathan Myers	13 th : Julia Grove
17 th : Al Ramer	19 th : Lisa Bernhard, Dylan Gromen	

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers
Pastor
Music Director
Parish Administrator
Lay Ministry Assistant
Council President
Council Vice President
Sexton

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Landis
Anne Rankin
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/@zelc_landisvillepa7249
Bible Study Class (Parlor) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>
Children's Class Sundays: Start in service, then excused until communion
Morning Bible Study Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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