

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

An Outdoor Service of Word & Sacrament

July 4, 2021



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 E. Brandt Boulevard

Landisville, PA

Connecting with God; Connecting with others; Connecting others with God

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P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation

INTRODUCTION

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

† THE GATHERING †

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Mark Hayes

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God our provider,

C: **help us.**

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: **Amen.**

SONG

Here I Am, Lord

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peoples pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

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. God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2:1-5

A: ¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord GOD.” ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A: ²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Rev. Melody Sell

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*

Almighty God, your word is cast like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heav'n descend and righteous fruits abound.

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

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

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Rev. Melody Sell

Please stand if you are able.

SONG

Make Me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek.
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my
Heart always be;
Make me a servant, Make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

Make me a servant, humble and meek.
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my
Heart always be;
Make me a servant, Make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

APOSTLES' CREED

P: We now proclaim our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Let us come before the triune God in prayer:

God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Sustain the baptized and increase their faith, that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

God of the heavens, your creating Spirit animates the universe. We give you thanks for the moon and stars, for the planets and the Milky Way Galaxy, and for all of the mysteries of the cosmos that remain unknown to us. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Defend us from tyrants in our midst and deliver us from all forms of slavery or corruption. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. We pray for our outreach ministries, including Lutheran World Relief, Milagro House, Clare House, Pet Pantry, the Community Meal, Bethany Christian Services, Veterans' Victory House, Night to Shine, Day of Smiles, CROP Walk, Adopt-a-Highway, Race Against Racism, and ChildFund International, among others. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We give you thanks that in every time and place you call forth prophets who move us towards freedom. Thank you for those who work for human rights, community organizers, and all who strive for liberty for all. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PRAYER SONG

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life,
Let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're
Born to eternal life.

P: *Additional petitions may be inserted.*
We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
C: **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.
C: **And also with you.**



† THE MEAL †

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION SONG

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me, the joy of your salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me.

SETTING OF THE TABLE

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Preface

P: It is indeed right and our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn with these words:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.**

: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ in the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace and love.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

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: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

The congregation opens the wafer packet.

P: The body of Christ given for you.

C: Amen.

The congregation opens the cup.

P: The blood of Christ shed for you.

C: Amen.

Please place communion cups & wrappers in the trash can by the tree at the end of the service.

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. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please stand if you are able.

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace and Serve the Lord
Go in peace and serve the Lord.
God is calling you today.
Go and tell gospel news ev'rywhere.

Go in peace and serve the Lord.
God is calling you today
To bring truth and love
To ev'ry nation.

Go in peace and serve the Lord.
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Go in peace and serve the Lord.
God is calling you today
To bring truth and love
To ev'ry nation.

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

SUNG POSTLUDE

Battle Hymn of the Republic

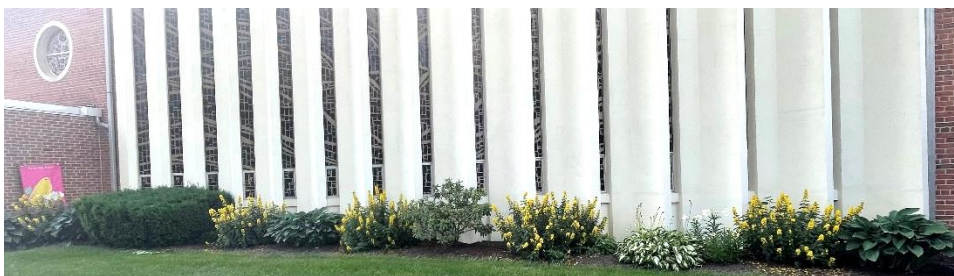
1. Mine eyes have seen the glory
of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are stored
He has loosed the fateful lightning
of his terrible swift sword:
His truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

2. He has sounded forth the trumpet
that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men
before his judgment seat;
O be swift, my soul, to answer him;
be jubilant my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Refrain*

3. In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in his bosom
that transfigures you and me:
As he died to make men holy,
let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on. *Refrain*



READY TO BEAR WITNESS

Where does power come from? The usual answers—family connections, reputation, possessions—are all rejected in this reading from Mark’s gospel. Jesus’ power is not only independent of his family connection—it is hindered by it. While it isn’t entirely clear why the people of Nazareth reject Jesus, the fact that they do may sound familiar to us. How often do we find exactly what we expect when we encounter something new? How open are we, really, to the possibility that God’s power might come from an unexpected corner? The first part of today’s reading suggests that even miracles take two things: both divine power and willing witnesses.

Perhaps Jesus sends his disciples out stripped of their possession precisely so that *they* are ready to witness to God’s power in a new way. They go without any of the usual trappings of security or wealth, with no guarantee that their ministry will be received. In fact, Mark reminds us a few verses later (Mark 6:14-28) just how hostile the world can be to receiving the proclamation of the kingdom of God. John the Baptist will lose his life because of Herod’s resistance to repentance. Nevertheless, Jesus’ teaching continues to astound, and the word continues to spread.

The willingness to bear witness, even when we are not certain of answered prayer or mission success, is a theme that unites all this day’s readings. Even the Psalm, in its simple gaze of faith, invites us to let go of results in favor of relationship. Paul’s sometimes confusing logic about spiritual experiences becomes clear as he sums up God’s word to him: “My grace is sufficient for you . . .” That is a powerful word, which can make almost any experience an opportunity to witness to Christ’s power.



IMAGES IN THE READINGS

Going out **two by two** is an image of the companionship that is more characteristic of the church than are personal mystical visions, such as what Paul is devaluing.

Sending believers out on a **journey** has been a beloved image throughout church life. Taking this passage literally, many missionaries have journeyed throughout the world. Christianity is a missionary religion, infused with the commission to spread the work of repentance and healing everywhere. In medieval times, a journey to a sacred shrine was sometimes ordered as penance for sin. Especially in Europe, pilgrimages are again popular. But even in one's regular secular life, the image of one's years as a journey remains important for many people. For Christians, the journey through life to death is always a journey with and toward God.

Our translations of the New Testament include three occurrences of the term **paradise**: this account of Paul's mystical vision, Jesus' words to the thief on the cross, and the location of the tree of life at the end of time. The Greek word, a loan word from Old Persian, means an enclosed garden and came into Jewish vocabulary during the exile. The Old Testament and intertestamental literature include many poetic references to such a royal garden as a symbol for the people's perfect life with God.



THIS WEEK AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH

Sunday, July 4

** The altar flowers are sponsored by Jeanette Bomberger in memory of her husband, Philip.*

** The red rose bud is in celebration of the birth of Brooke Katherine Stitzel, daughter of Stephanie & Ryan and granddaughter of Karen & Jon Wright, on March 25, 2021.*

** The bulletins are sponsored by Al & Diane Ramer in honor of their 38th anniversary which was on Friday (7/2).*

In-Person Outdoor Worship – 9:00 a.m. (No Livestream)

No Sunday School

Baptism – 12 Noon (Brooke Katherine Stitzel)

Concert at Mt. Gretna Playhouse – 7:00 p.m. (Rehrersburg Band)

Monday, July 5

Food Pantry Closed

Office Closed

Tuesday, July 6

Bible Study – 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

Worship & Music – 7:00 p.m. (Parlor)

Wednesday, July 7

Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 8

Personnel – 6:30 p.m. (Sue Wise's home)

Friday, July 9

Worship at Mt. Gretna Tabernacle – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 10

Sunday, July 11

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Livestream Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:00 a.m. (Parlor, following worship)

Mt. Gretna Tabernacle – 7:00 p.m. (Darryl Strawberry, former MLB Baseball player)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION NIGHT AT THE BARNSTORMERS: Aug. 18

Zion Members & Friends: Tickets can be purchased now for the Zion Night at the Barnstormers game on Wednesday, August 18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Zion has reserved a block of 30 seats along the third base line (bring your mitt for any foul balls!). The church will be recognized during the announcements and our very own Dave Albin will sing the National Anthem to open the game! Tickets cost \$12.00/adult (12 and over) and \$9/child (ages 3-11) (no cost for under 3). *Do not let the cost of a ticket deter you*; contact the church office if you need financial help to offset the cost. Tickets will be put in your church mailbox once we have your check for the full amount made payable to "Zion Ev. Lutheran Church" (mark baseball game in memo line). *This is a great opportunity to come together, have fun, and enjoy a night out at the ballpark!*



JULY EVENTS CALENDAR

If you did not get a July Events Calendar last Sunday, they are available on the ushers' table in the Narthex. For the electronic version, check your email inbox from 6/25.

SUMMER STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND RESOURCES

Please remember Zion during the summer months. Your involvement, financial giving, worship attendance are blessings to the church. Thank you.

LADIES ON THE LAWN -- RESCHEDULED

The Ladies on the Lawn gathering originally scheduled for this past Thursday, has been rescheduled for THIS THURSDAY (7/8) at 6:30 p.m. Come on out to the Cooper House lawn for socialization and taking time to unwind at the end of the day in the summer evening air. Bring a chair, beverage, and a snack to share if you'd like. Hope to see you there – even if you can only drop by for a little while. Contact Millie (717-898-2313) or Denise (717-669-3718) with any questions.

MOVIE IN THE ZONE

This past Wednesday, folks came together in the Zone to watch "1776." It was a time appreciated by those who were there, in anticipation of the July 4th Independence Day holiday. Watch the announcements for information about the next movie event.

JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTION



Thank you all who gave to the Joyful Noise offering in June. A total of \$170.30 was collected for the Hempfield School Lunch Program to help offset meal balances from this past school year for students in need.

Beginning today and through July, Joyful Noise contributions will go to the Hempfield Rec's "Everybody Belongs" program. This program ensures that no one is turned away due to financial insecurity. A bucket to place this offering is on the information table with the floral covering.

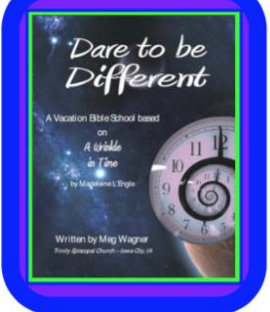


COMMUNITY MEAL THANK YOU

- Thank you so much for the meals. My family has enjoyed them very much.
- Thank you to Mary Hetrick and all the volunteers who have made these meals for pick-up over the last year...very grateful!
- *REMINDER: The meal is suspended thru the remainder of the summer, resuming on September 9.*

ADULT & CHILDREN'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

All are invited to Vacation Bible School *for all ages* at Trinity in East Petersburg July 12-15 from 6:15-7:00 p.m. There are separate programs for both children and adults.

 <p>Trinity UCC 2340 State Street East Petersburg, PA 17520 717-569-1632 www.trinityeastpete.org No Fee Free-will offerings benefit Schreiber Center For Pediatric Development.</p>	<p>VBS 2021 July 12-15 From 6:15 - 7:00 PM Pre-Registration Required Fun, Food, Crafts, Games, Music And More For All Ages</p> <p>Family and Adult programs All the usual parts of VBS, but in a different way. Join us as we learn together through "A Wrinkle In Time," about Our Special Gifts, How We Can Be Lights For Others To See By, How God Sees Things Differently, and The Power Of Love. Pre-register your whole family from the website. * Pre-registration, masks, and physical distancing are required. Closing Program July 16 Evening - Times TBA Magician Friendship Fest July 18 From 3:00 - 7:00 PM Food Trucks, Bounce House, Auscultation Brass Concert</p>
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SPONSORSHIPS

There is no one sponsoring the communion elements this month; if this is something you'd like to do, please either email the office (adminzelc@comcast.net) or sign up on the chart in the Narthex. Bulletin & flower sponsors are also needed thru the month.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 29 pounds of food items donated to the pantry in May! A total of 493 people (127 children; 254 adults; 102 seniors) were served throughout the month, and two new families registered. No question about it, this community food ministry is thriving! If you are considering donating food in the coming month, the Pantry is requesting the following items in particular:

Canned tomato soup

Canned tomatoes

Canned cream of celery soup

Canned cream of broccoli soup

Large peanut butter

Canned mixed vegetables

Canned pears

Large jelly

Canned corn

Cereal

A reminder that in observance of the holiday on Sunday, July 4, the pantry will be closed on Monday, July 5. ***Many thanks*** for your continued support for the families in the Hempfield area!

PICNIC IN THE PARK

The next Picnic in the Park gathering will be on Thursday, July 29 at 11:30 at Rapho Township Community Park Pavilion. You can see from the pictures from last month's gathering that it is a fun time for all ages! There is always room at the table for more...come for a while, come for a few minutes...just come and say hi! All are welcome.



SUMMER PROJECT - “PERSONAL CARE KIT”

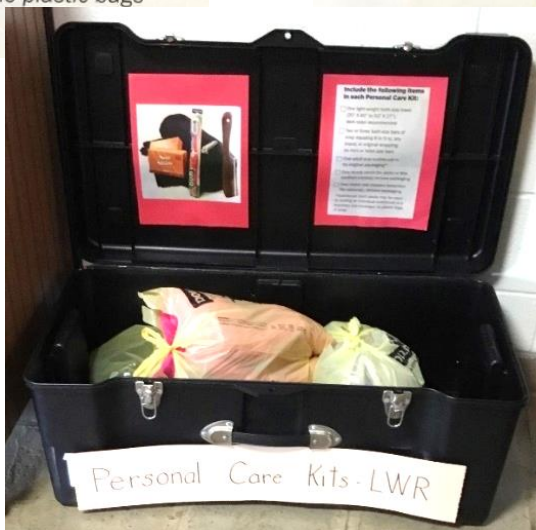
This summer project is in full force as we continue to collect personal care items for Lutheran World Relief (LWR). Items purchased can be put in the bin in the Narthex across from the mailboxes. These kits, when completed, will be sent all over the world wherever there is a need.

Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

- ☐ One light-weight bath-size towel (20" X 40" to 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- ☐ Two or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz, any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars
- ☐ One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
- ☐ One sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs); remove packaging
- ☐ One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

**Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap*

When you have purchased every item needed for one kit, place the bagful in the collection box near the mailboxes. At the end of the summer, we will have a “kit assembly party” when we open each bag, assemble the kits as per LWR instructions, and pack them in cartons to ship. We have a goal of 50 kits! Can we do more than that?



Cheers to 100 years !



You are invited to share in the celebration of

BETTY W. STONER

and her momentous milestone. Here's how...

Card Shower :

Betty Stoner
80 Elizabeth St.
Landisville, PA 17538

(She LOVES getting mail and would LOVE hearing from YOU!)

Drive By Meet - Greet - and Eat :

at her home, Sat. July 17 from 1-3pm.

Meet: Enter Elizabeth Street from Stony Battery Rd.

Greet: Betty will welcome you at the end of her driveway.

Eat: You will get a carry out lunch to take with you.



WINDOWS OF ZION

This week's featured "Window of Zion" is the rose circle window shown below. It is located near the pulpit in the Sanctuary.

If you look at it very carefully, you will see many symbols depicting Jesus' Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20: *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."*

At the top is the dove of the Holy Spirit descending to the world with seven tongues of flames.

Superimposed on the world is the ship of the church with a cross-shaped mast offering us the protection of Christ throughout the storms in our lives.

Below the world is an open Bible and the Baptismal scallop shell with three drops of water for the Trinity: *"in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit."*



SUMMER EVENTS AT THE MOUNT GRETNA TABERNACLE

(All programs begin at 7:00 p.m.)



Mt. Gretna Campmeeting

* **TONIGHT., July 4** – No program at the Tabernacle
Enjoy the Rehrersburg Band at the Mt. Gretna Playhouse @ 7 p.m.

* **Sun., July 11:** Darryl Strawberry, former MLB player
Darryl's passion is serving the Lord Jesus Christ by speaking a message of hope & helping others transform their lives through the power of the gospel. Music by Worship Ministry of Calvary Church (Lancaster). Music starting at 6:30 p.m.

* **Sun., July 18:** Rev. Dr. Stephen McKinney Whitaker (Pastor at Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey)
"Checking our Blind Spots", text from Mark 10:46-52

* **Sun., July 25:** Alden Chorus; Directed by D. Darrell Woomer, Ph.D.
Voices from Alden Place Community - Lebanon, PA

* **Sun., August 1:** Lancaster British Brass Band, Directed by Dr. Stephen Arthur Allen
28 instrumentalists from PA, MD, DE, and NJ play brass, winds, and percussion instruments. They are accomplished professional performers and teachers.

* **Wed., Aug. 4** - Music of the Gaithers
Hymn Sing, featuring Gaither music led by Rev. Bob Kettering and Dr. Rod Shearer.

* **Sun., Aug. 8** - National Christian Choir; Directed by Kathy Bowman
Founded in 1984, the choir is called to glorify God through a unique ministry of music which draws people into a new and deeper relationship with him.

* **Sun., Aug. 15** - Piercing Word to perform a Scriptural play - "Stewardship".

* **Sun., Aug. 22:** Susquehanna Chorale; Directed by Linda Tedford
One of the premier choral groups in the nation makes its traditional late summer appearance.

* **Sun, Aug. 29** - QuintEssentially Brass
A quintet with engaging personalities and sparkling instrumental performances ends another summer season.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP AT THE TABERNACLE

* **Every Sunday @ 10 a.m.** in July and August, led by the Mt. Gretna United Methodist Church - Rev. Michael Remel, Pastor.

LETTER FROM CHILDFUND ABOUT BRENDA AND HER EDUCATION*

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

Kindest regards to you in the name of our Lord Jesus!

We hope and pray that you are safe and healthy during this C-19 period.

Much appreciation for the love and kindness rendered to Brenda and her family. Brenda is fine and is currently at home for a break ever since the government closed schools and other institutions on June 10th due to the second wave of C-19. On behalf of Brenda, I send our heart-most gratitude for the education funds that we have received. We shall be able to clear the previous school term debts and move to grade 7, which is rumored currently to run from July to December but this period is yet to be confirmed by the government.

Her school is called Faith Christian School. Regarding her plans, she hopes to join a skills training institute after grade 7 given her weak scores which will not support her joining ordinary level studies. She will be able to pursue any of the trades of her choice. Skills courses range between 9 months to one year, depending on the skill/course.

God's protection upon you all.

Best wishes,

Rose Akol

Sponsorship Program Officer



**Written as expressed by the Ugandan Program Officer, with some slight interpretation and editing of content for comprehension & understanding.*

FAITH FORMATION AT ZION

- **ADULT IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL**

This adult Sunday School Class typically meets each Sunday (EXCEPT TODAY) after the worship service in the parlor.

- **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS**

Bags are available for children during worship and then to take home. They are located this morning on the information table with the floral covering.

- **BIBLE STUDY**

The adult Bible Study group meets on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the parlor. It is lectionary-based, focusing each week on the passages or theme for the upcoming Sunday.

LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION SUMMER CAMP UPDATE

Campers from across the Synod, Central Pennsylvania, and beyond will be arriving at camps Kirchenwald and Nawakwa. This is the start of the 3rd week of summer camp programs. Please keep the staff and campers in prayer as they spend the week in community in these special places, doing meaningful but also ridiculously fun activities!

We pray for the ministry of the Lutheran Camping Corporation. As the summer camp season continues, send your spirit to create cultures of acceptance and faithfulness at Camps Kirchenwald and Nawakwa. May the children and adults who participate in this ministry be encouraged and strengthened in their faithfulness. We pray that they may return to their homes and congregations with a greater sense of Your boundless love for all creation, and a renewed eagerness to serve You. Amen.



PRAYER LIST
FOR HEALING

Shirley Cates
Doug Grow
Marvin Ruch
Kate Donnan
Barbara Williams
Dave Wise
Don Heartter
Joe Adams
Judie Ingersoll
Bill Grove
Kay Crawford
Holly Hoover
Rick Long
Sam King
Janet & Harry Musselman
Bobbi (Friend of a member)
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)
Meghan Frey (Friend of the congregation)
Robin Coons (Daughter-in-law of Dianne & Mark Coons)
LaVon Harnish (Friend of Jeanette Bomberger)
Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)
Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson
Lucy Davis
Nancy Smith
Betty Stoner
Arlene Miller
Deb McCartney
Bette Geibel
Richard & Marilyn Heim
George Potts

Jess, Matt, & Grant Barcaro
Family & Friends of Pat Lohr (Best friend of Janet Musselman for 70 years)
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)
Brenda Alimo (Zion's Sponsored Child)
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)
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 Gorlaski
Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)
Jared Shiner (Grandson of Diane Gerlach)
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

5th – Mary Hetrick, Chrissy Rickert, Wenda Ruch
6th – Brett Rhoads
8th – Kay Crawford
9th – Keith Anderson, Deb Long, Vicki Swade
10th – Amy Flood, Kristen Long

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

6th – Joe & Marie Adams
9th – Brad & Lynda Sherwood
11th – Jim & Millie Gundel

CONGRATULATIONS to Stephanie & Ryan Stitzel on the baptism of their daughter, Brooke Katherine. Brooke will be baptized later today at Zion in a private service with only the extended Stitzel/Wright families in attendance. Brooke was born on March 25, 2021.

MINISTRY LEADERS

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

Today's Assisting Minister

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Melody Sell
John Landis
Anne Rankin
David Albin
Diane Gerlach
Adele King
David Wise
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)
Adele King

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

In-Person Worship
Livestream & Recorded Worship Link (9:00 a.m.)
Worship is held outdoors today with no livestream.
Sunday School Class (Parlor)
Church Office
Pastor
Parish Administrator
Council President
Office Email
Pastor Email
Council President Email
Music Director Email
Website
Facebook
Church Address
Office Address

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