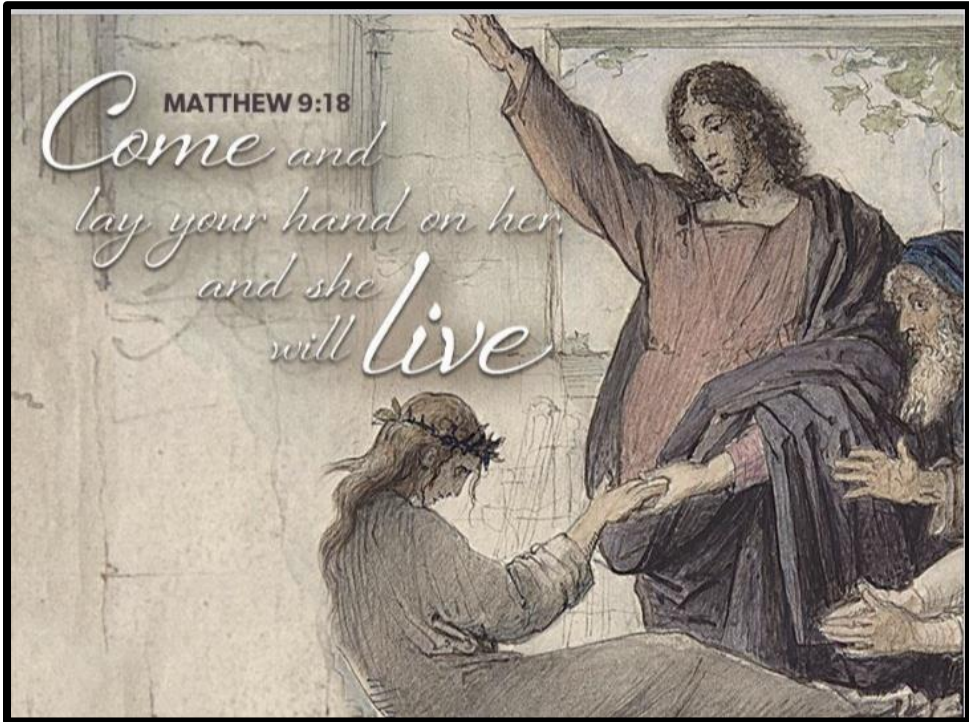


SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Service of Word & Sacrament

June 11, 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 today! For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, they are available on the table in the Narthex by the entrance to the Sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION

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

ONLINE: Worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live. If you are unable or prefer not to watch during the live-stream, the recording is available to view any time after the service concludes.

FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Mask wearing is optional for all who attend or participate in indoor gatherings at the church.

Second Sunday After Pentecost

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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord’s day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God’s mercy for the world.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PRELUDE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

arr. Mark Hayes

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,
C: **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Righteous God,

C: **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy. You are freed and forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ELW 836

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;





Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

HOSEA 5:15-6:6

God desires steadfast love.

A: ¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1}“Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50:7-15

Please read responsively.

A: ⁷“Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

C: ⁸I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.

⁹I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;
¹⁰**for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.**

¹¹I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.
¹²**If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

¹³Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats? ¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to ¹the Most High.
¹⁵**Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.**

ROMANS 4:13-25

The promise to those who share Abraham's faith.

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

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

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S CHAT



Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Good Soil

ELW 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
Where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950
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Changing Church, Inc., admin. Augsburg Fortress.

MATTHEW 9:9-26

Christ heals a woman and raises a synagogue leader's daughter.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

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

P: ⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁴Then the disciples of John came to him, saying, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁵And Jesus said to them, "The wedding guests cannot mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them, can they? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. ¹⁶No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak, for the patch pulls away from the cloak, and a worse tear is made. ¹⁷Neither is new wine put into old wineskins; otherwise, the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well."

²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.


The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown



The
Ace of Hearts:

*There is no
way to God.*

Period.

The Christian message is grounded
in a gospel where

*God always goes first,
always initiates, and comes to us.*

We don't have anyway to get to God,
so we can relax, because

*we are freed to be simply HERE
and to look for God coming to us.*



"Matthew Parties"

are hosted by Jesus!

The guest list for
"Matthew Parties"
included:

Tax collectors

Sinners

Outcasts

Losers

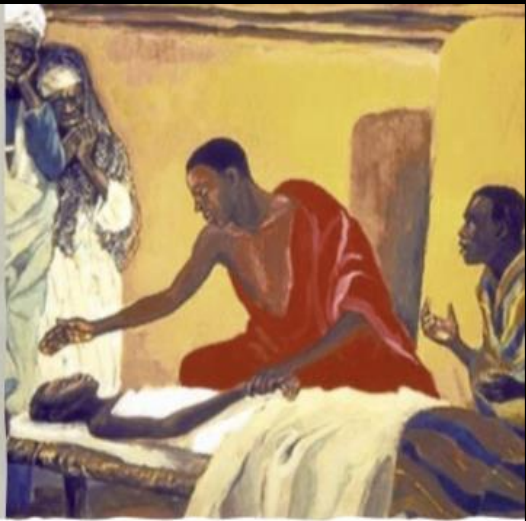
Marginalized
people.

Jesus
healed
the
marginalized,
outcast
woman
first.



WHAT IS THIS? or WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy, and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.



Jesus also heals the privileged daughter, raising her to life.

What are the practices in our lives that help us to be more attentive and able to watch for the God who comes to us?

How can we be more intentional about making time to wait and watch and listen?

How might we help one another to become better equipped to be on the look out for the God who is always coming to us?

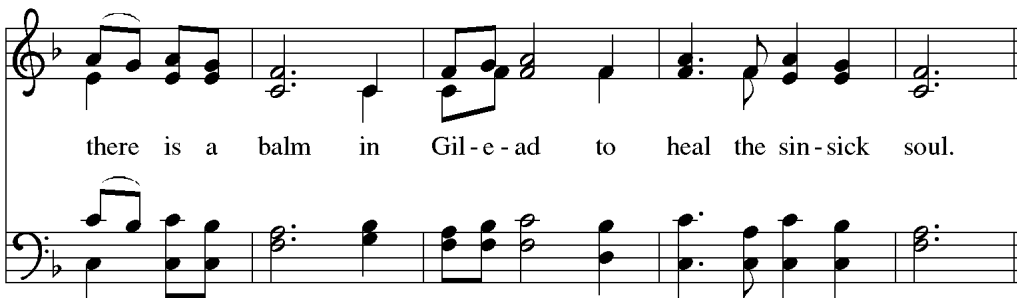


The New Wine Skins

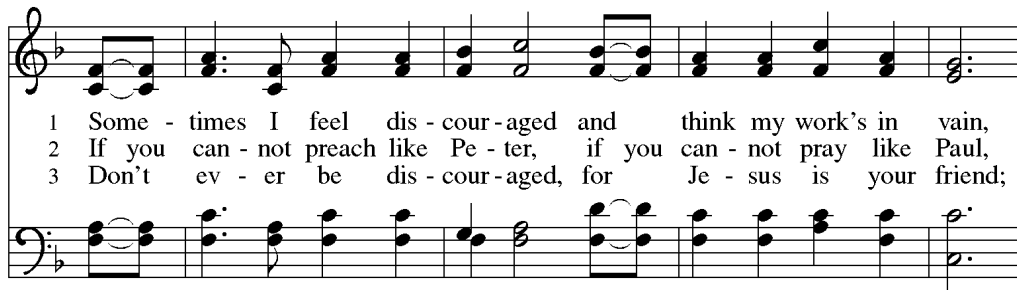
Please stand if you are able.

Refrain

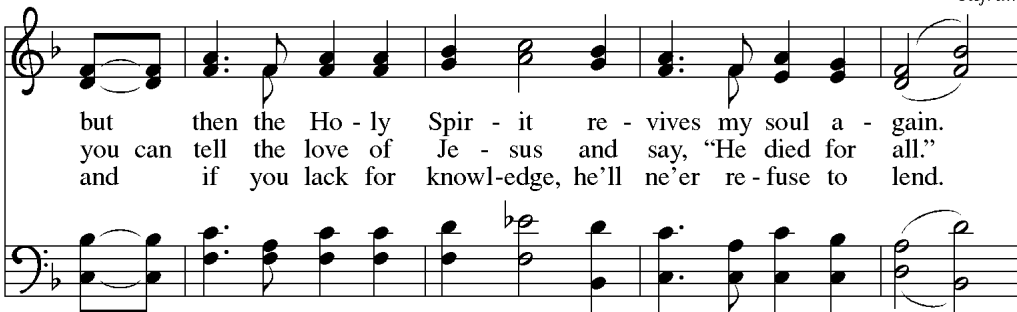

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;



there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.



1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged and think my work's in vain,
 2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,
 3 Don't ev - er be dis - cour - aged, for Je - sus is your friend;

Refrain


but then the Ho - ly Spir - it re - vives my soul a - gain.
 you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."
 and if you lack for knowl-edge, he'll ne'er re - fuse to lend.

APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,
C: **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints. Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

P: Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.
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 of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament by coming forward to receive the elements 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 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 songs until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.

COMMUNION SONGS

By Faith

BB 34

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

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

Refrain

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

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

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

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

Lord, My Strength

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Lead me through the dark;
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Heal this wand'ring heart.

Be my eyes, be my ears,
Be the only voice I hear;
Guide my soul, give me sight,
Help me walk within your light.

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
You and You alone:
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Lead me safely home.

Ev'ry step that I make,
Be the road I will take;
Be the thoughts that I keep
And in ev'ry word I speak.

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Lead me through the dark;
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Heal this wand'ring heart.

Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
You and You alone:
Lord, my strength, Lord, my rock,
Lead me safely home.

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: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

ELW 414

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900
 Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Grosser Gott"

arr. Donald Busarow



THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, June 11

** The flowers are sponsored by Lisa Nelson in honor of granddaughter Kensie Barr's birthday!*

** The bulletins are sponsored by Rick and Deb Long to the glory of God and in gratitude for their 38th wedding anniversary on June 15!*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Bob and Judy Traup in honor of Zion friends.*

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

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

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Box Office Bible Study Class (“The Chosen”) – Parlor

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

Monday, June 12

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13

Finance – 6:30 p.m.

Forgiveness Bible Study – 7 p.m. (Parlor)

Wednesday, June 14

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Care Team – 3 p.m. (Zone)

Thursday, June 15

Friday, June 16

Saturday, June 17

Sunday, June 18

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

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

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

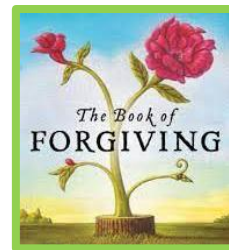
Box Office Bible Study Class (“The Chosen”) – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone (No Zoom)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, GOD-SIGHTINGS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY ON FORGIVENESS: Tues., June 13 at 7:00 p.m.

The next evening bible study will be held on Tuesday, June 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. This study focuses on Desmond & Mpho Tutu's book "The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path to Healing Ourselves and Our World." If you would like more information about the book or about the bible study, contact Pastor Tim.



Graduates will be recognized on Sunday, June 18 during worship. Please email information including name, school and program, degree, any extracurricular involvement, and plans for "what's next" to adminzelc@comcast.net by tomorrow.



JULY 2, AUGUST 6, & SEPTEMBER 3 at 9:00 a.m.

Mark your calendar for the other outdoor worship services this season in the Cooper House yard! Feel free to dress casually and bring your own chair (or blanket if you prefer to sit on the grass). If you can't bring a chair, come anyway!



This month's Joyful Noise offering will go to Off the Streets, a local organization that works to get individuals who are homeless off the streets and into secure housing. **ALSO** ... donations are being collected for Off the Streets. There is a list of requested items on the white board between the mailboxes in the Narthex.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
where FAITH & LIFE connect

CLASSES AT 10:30 a.m.

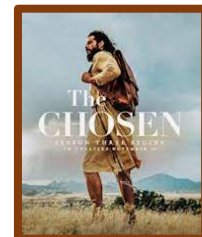
The Wired Word class will meet in the Zone and on Zoom after worship.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>

Note: there will be no Zoom option on June 18.



The class that meets in the Parlor has begun a study on Season 3 of "The Chosen." This series of classes will be led by Jeff Thompson.



FREEBIE TABLE

Check out the table in the Narthex and take whatever strikes your fancy! It's all up for grabs!

CORRESPONDENCE FROM BRENDA,

Zion's sponsored ChildFund daughter

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

I am so happy to take this special time to write to you.

How is the Zion church family? I hope you are all fine.

My family and I are fine. I went back home from school to celebrate Easter with my family. We went to church in the morning and I came back home to start cooking lunch. We had foods like meat, rice, and chicken. It was so nice. After Easter I reported back to school.

Thank you so much for the Easter gift you sent me of \$25 which is 93,675 Ugandan shillings. With this money, I used it to pay the remaining balance of school fees.

Thank you so much for your love and care you have shown me. Your support has changed my life. I send greetings to all of the Zion family. I love you all so much.

Your Friend, Brenda



B.Y.O. L. [Bring Your Own Lunch]

Mark your calendar and plan ahead so you can join us for lunch and fellowship!

2023 SUMMER PICNIC SCHEDULE

To accommodate as many people's availability as possible, this monthly picnic lunch gathering will meet at different parks in the area and will alternate between the last Wednesday and Thursday of each month.

- Thursday, June 29 at 11:30 a.m. – Rapho Twp. Park (Strickler Rd.)
- Wednesday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m. – Salunga Park (At the Hempfield Fire Station on Main St. Landisville/Salunga)
- Thursday, August 31 at 11:30 a.m. – Rapho Twp. Park
- Wednesday, September 27 at 11:30 a.m. – A. Herr Park

HEMPFIELD HOMETOWN HERO BANNERS

Have you or a member of your family from East or West Hempfield Township served or are currently serving in the military? If so, consider having them recognized with a banner on Main St.! The application can be found at: <http://herrhomestead.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Hometown-Heroes-Application.pdf> or at Cooper's Garage (Main St.). Contact Bob W. with any questions (717-940-9611).

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF CARE KIT SUMMER PROJECT

As in previous summers, Zion is participating in LWR's Care Kit project. A bin is in the Narthex in which to place donated items. Items needed per kit: 2 bath-size bars of soap; one sturdy comb (remove packaging); one light-weight bath-size towel; one adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging; one metal nail-clippers (remove packaging).



SUMMER DEVOTIONALS



The June-August devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table and in the back hallway. Help yourself!

OFF THE STREETS NEEDS HELP – An article from the LNP (6/4/2023)

Volunteers needed for Off the Streets, which helps homeless transition to housing
Off the Streets relies on volunteer support, and right now is searching for more volunteers to help meet community need. Off the Streets is seeking community members who are willing to contribute some time and physical effort to support moving individuals and families who are homeless into permanent housing.

The primary needs are for volunteers to help pick up furniture donations on a Monday or a Thursday, and for volunteers to help move a family or individual into a new home on a Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to noon. Both individuals and families or small groups are invited to volunteer.

Volunteers in both roles need to be able to lift a minimum of 40 pounds. In addition, there is a regular need for volunteers who have a pickup truck to assist with moves. Other volunteer opportunities include helping manage donations at the Off the Streets warehouse, assessing family needs and living space details and assisting with fundraising and communications. For more information and to volunteer please visit tinyurl.com/OTSLanc.

Written by Joel Janisewski from the United Way of Lancaster County

Shared by Jim Grube



They keep trickling in! Can you figure out who is who!?

1. Who grew up in New Cumberland, PA and has degrees from Penn State in Information Systems, has worked for AMP Inc. for 20 years as a systems analyst, then worked for 12 years for TE Connectivity? He then continued his career as a consultant for IT. He loves camping in his RV, traveling, hiking and golf. Ask him about the many countries he has traveled to throughout his working career.
2. This member grew up in Landisville but currently lives in Washington, DC. He graduated from Penn State with a degree in energy engineering and works at the US Postal Service headquarters. He enjoys gardening and softball and is proud of his perfect attendance in high school.
3. Who grew up in Emporium, PA, graduated from Cameron County High School, and then from Elizabethtown College with a BS in biochemistry? He continued his education earning a PhD in biochemistry from Penn State Hershey Medical, and has been an associate Professor of Biology at York College of PA for 22 years. He enjoys gardening and pottery. He even made his daughter's three-tier wedding cake with no formal instruction!
4. This member is a certified scuba diver. In 1982 she travelled to the USSR with a group of nurses through Professional Seminar Consultants. She graduated from York Catholic High School and Villanova University with a BS and MS in Nursing. She received further education at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. She recently retired from a 44-year nursing career which included being a nursing instructor. She enjoys playing bridge, reading, gardening, traveling, and camping.
5. This member went to Hempfield High School and on to Penn State University to earn a degree in Marketing and International Business. She works for Saatchi and Saatchi Wellness, NY, as a Group Account Supervisor. She loves tennis, painting, and chasing her 20-month-old son. She was a member of the University of Kent, England, soccer team.



MT. GRETTA BIBLE FESTIVAL 2023

Summer at the Tabernacle | Worship, Speakers and Concerts

All Programs are in the Historic Tabernacle • 3rd St. & Glossbrenner Ave. Parking GPS Address: 41 Boulevard St, Mt. Gretna PA 17064
Please visit MtGretnaTabernacle.org for any program cancellations. A **freewill offering** will be received at each program.



June 2 Friday 7 p.m. Ecumenical Service
"Lord, I Have Heard." Bishop Charles Brown Jr., United Zion Church, Annville, Pa.

June 4 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster Choral singing by children and youth to glorify Jesus Christ.



June 9 Friday 7 p.m. Ecumenical Service
"Why We Worship God." Rev. John Frye - Pastor of Worship & Care, Calvary Church, Lancaster, Pa. Music by John Frye.

June 11 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Jazz Ministers Big Band Directed by Keith Wiley, 18 musicians share the gift of music through Christian worship or concert experience. Musical selections based on standard Christian hymns and Gospel favorites.



June 16 Friday 7 p.m. Ecumenical Service
"Once More the People Ask... Why God." Rev. Dr. Nathan Minnich, Pastor Emeritus Salem Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown, Pa. & President of Minnich Funeral Homes. Special music by Daniel Dorty, Director of Music & Organist at Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey, Pa.

June 18 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Andy Roberts Jazz Quartet Mt. Gretna's own Andy Roberts will praise God with original jazz song stylings. Sponsored by JoAnn Thomas Show.



June 23 Friday 7 p.m. Ecumenical Service
"Why God Wants Us To Forgive." Rev. Carrie Call, PhD, Conference Minister of the Penn Central Conference, United Church of Christ, Harrisburg, Pa.

June 25 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
New Holland Band Patriotic and spiritual concert, directed by Dr. Kenneth Laudermilch. Formed in 1829, the New Holland Band is the second oldest municipal band in the nation. Sponsored by Cornwall Manor.



June 30 Friday 7 p.m. Ecumenical Service
"Why God" SEVEN Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, Pa. A group of college-aged musicians share Jesus through musical worship, directed by Dr. Doug Curry. Sponsored by Esther Mefferd, in memory of Pastor Ted Mefferd, Class of '66 from Messiah University.

July 2 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Silver, Wood and Ivory Two women, 19 flutes and recorders, piano, Celtic harp & keyboard.



July 9 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
National Christian Choir Founded in 1984, the choir glorifies God through music ministry which draws people into a new and deeper relationship with Him. Directed by Kathy Bowman, Gettysburg, Pa.



July 16 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Rizzetta's Tones Celtic & folk band with songs that are both poignant and humorous.



July 23 Sunday 7 p.m. Speaker
Rev. Alan Robinson National Director of the Brethren in Christ, U.S., Dillsburg, Pa.



July 30 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Choir Festival Internationally renowned composer Robert Lau, retired church musician and college professor, directs over 150 voices in a joyous concert. Sponsored by Loser's Music. Concert made possible by the Estate of Douglas Troutman.

August 2 Wednesday 7 p.m. Hymn Sing
Led by **Bob Kettering** and **Dr. Rod Shearer**. Congregational favorites from the Celebration Hymnal.



August 5 Saturday 7 p.m. Concert
Handbell Festival Under the direction of Dr. Shawn Gingrich, Hershey, Pa., ringers from the area will ring the praise and glory of God.

August 6 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
Lancaster British Brass Band
28 instrumentalists from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey playing brass, winds and percussion instruments. Directed by Dr. Stephen Arthur Allen.



August 9 Wednesday 7 p.m. Concert

Victory Express Ministries A family gospel group providing evangelistic ministry for more than 40 years. Sponsored by JoAnn Thomas Show.



August 13 Sunday 7 p.m. Speaker
Bob Kettering Chairperson of the Bible Festival Committee, Bob has served in 7 interim pastorates since his retirement from full-time ministry in 2015. Chancel Choir of the Lancaster Church of the Brethren will provide music.

August 20 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert
The Susquehanna Chorale One of the premier choral groups in the nation, directed by Linda Tedford, makes its traditional late summer appearance. Sponsored by Traditions of Hershey.



August 27 Sunday 7 p.m. Concert

QuintEssentially Brass
A quintet with their engaging personalities and sparkling instrumental performances end another season. Sponsored by Arthur Funk & Sons.

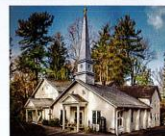


Summer Organ Programs at the Mt. Gretna UMC

June 14 Wednesday 7 p.m.
Emily Dawn Amos, Student at Curtis Institute of Music.

June 21 Wednesday 7 p.m.
Aaron Patterson, Graduate Student at Juilliard School.

June 28 Wednesday 7 p.m.
Daniel Ficarri, Associate Organist, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, NYC.



God's Garden



VBS 2023



Trinity UCC, 2340 State St., East Petersburg

www.trinityeastpete.org

717-569-1632

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

July 10 - 13 6:30-8:30 PM



Caretaker And Me Class - Under Five With Caretaker
Children's Classes - Five Through Finished Sixth Grade
Youth Volunteers - Contact Mrs. Slechta

Through stories, crafts, games, and music, "God's Garden" explores how Jesus grew, how we grow, and how we spread seeds for others to grow.

As the cycle continues, the "Mustard Plant" grows.

Adults and Teens - Join Rev. Esbenshade. Using the text, *Earthwise: A Guide to Hopeful Creation Care*, the class will spend four evening sessions examining ways in which attendees might examine and embrace ways to enhance creation. Author of *Earthwise*, Calvin B. DeWitt, is a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he serves on the graduate faculties of Environmental and Resources, Water Resource Management, Conservation Biology and Sustainable Development. This book reflects how he integrates his faith and his work in the science and educational communities.

**July 14 6:30 PM Closing Program - Including
Lancaster County Parks Naturalist Program - Seed Dispersal**

Register through the VBS/Rally Day Page at www.trinityeastpete.org



PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

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| Dolly Overly | Jon Wright | Bob Shirk | Tom Grzybowski |
| Jess Barcaro | Harry Musselman | Sam King | Bill Grove |
| Connie Alsedek | Joe Adams | Mary Zimmerman | Marvin Ruch |
| Kate Donnan | Judie Ingersoll | Joan Mays | Holly Hoover |
| Barb Williams | Kay Crawford | | |

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)
Jennifer Wiley (Niece of Pat Landis and friend of Mary Hetrick)
Lori Weber (Daughter of Dolly Overly)
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)
Elaine Reuschlein (Friend of Barb Williams)
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)
Walter Thalgott (Brother of Thelma Pearson)
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

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| Thelma Pearson | Lucy Davis | Betty Stoner | Deb McCartney |
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George Potts Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)
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)
Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

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| Evan Benedict | Christopher Wright | Chris Andrew | Thom Whitesel |
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Ryan Stitzel Doug Kautter Justin Gorlaski
Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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| 12 th – Marie Adams, Matthew Probst, Mark Rosen | 14 th – Cathy Shirk |
| 16 th – Zachary Swade | 17 th – Jerry Huber |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

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| 15 th – Al & Connie Alsedek, Rick & Deb Long | 16 th – Pat & Judy Brady |
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MINISTRY LEADERS

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

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Landis
Anne Rankin
David Albin
Diane Gerlach
Kim Paternoster
Denise Haun
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

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| Worship | Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. |
| Livestream & Recorded Link | http://bit.ly/Zion_Live |
| Outdoor Worship | 7/2; 8/6; 9/3 @ 9:00 a.m. (No livestream) |
| Bible Study “The Chosen” Class (Parlor) | Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. |
| Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom) | Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266 (No Zoom 6/18) |
| Morning Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m. (Except through June) |
| Evening Bible Study | Tuesday, June 13 @ 7:00 p.m. (Parlor) |
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