

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*A Service of Word & Sacrament*

*June 29, 2025*



**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). If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim.

**This morning we extend a special welcome to Rachel Helwig, Associate Director for Development and Engagement at CWS Lancaster.** In her work at CWS, Rachel works to ensure Lancaster's long tradition of welcome continues as she works with volunteers, community organizations, and donors to build communities of belonging. Rachel's time with CWS Lancaster began many years before her formal employment, providing ESL support for a Burmese family. Rachel notes that she never left their home without a small gift or a meal – she continues to be overwhelmed by the hospitality and friendship of our newest neighbors.

## **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](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. 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

*Welcome to worship this Sunday, where we enter the heart of Luke's Gospel and begin a long journey with Jesus toward Jerusalem. Along the way, we are invited to follow—not with fear or control, but with the freedom and generosity that comes from knowing we are deeply loved. Loved people, love people—and that love frees us from self-protection so we can give ourselves to others, just as Elisha gave up his oxen and Jesus gave up his life. In this Spirit-led way of living, we discover the path of life, where God becomes our portion, our cup, and our joy.*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE**      *Prelude on “Llangloffan” (O God of Every Nation) arr. Lani Smith*

*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.**

**P:**      Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:**      Merciful God,

**C:**      **you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.**

P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✠ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

## OPENING HYMN

## *O God of Every Nation*

ELW 713

1 O God of ev - 'ry na - tion, of ev - 'ry race and land,  
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
 3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that all may find re - lease,  
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem your whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;  
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,  
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind-ness to your way,  
 when hope and cour-age fal - ter, Lord, let your voice be heard;  
 till dawns the morn-ing glo - rious when truth and love shall reign,

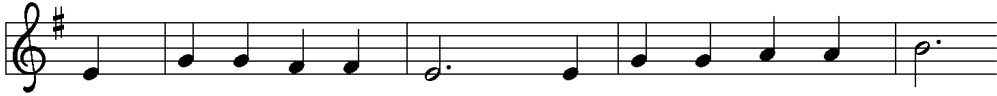
in love and mer-cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
 de - liv - er ev - 'ry na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray,  
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser-vants un - der - gird.  
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

## GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

## KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### *This Is the Feast*

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.





This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## † THE WORD †

### 1 KINGS 19:15-16, 19-21

*Elijah says to Elisha, Follow me and do not continue plowing.*

A: <sup>15</sup> Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup> Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.”

<sup>19</sup> So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. <sup>20</sup> He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” <sup>21</sup> He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 16

*Please read responsively.*

A: <sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

**<sup>2</sup> All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup> But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

**<sup>4</sup> I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

**<sup>6</sup> My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>17</sup> I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

**<sup>8</sup> I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup> **For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup> You will show me the <sup>1</sup> path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## **GALATIANS 5:1, 13-25**

*Love is the whole law, gift of the Spirit.*

A: <sup>1</sup> For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. <sup>14</sup> For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup> If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup> Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. <sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. <sup>24</sup> And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN’S CHAT**

*Please stand if you are able.*



3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and folk-like, with a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words aligned under specific notes and others centered under groups of notes. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

## LUKE 9:51-62

*Jesus says, Follow me and do not look back.*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

**P:** <sup>51</sup> When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup> But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then they went on to another village.

<sup>57</sup> As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup> To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> But

Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” <sup>61</sup> Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” <sup>62</sup> Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## MESSAGE

*Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown*

***“FROM seeing people as threat (flesh) TO seeing people as treasure (Spirit)”***

*Please stand if you are able.*

## HYMN

### *Will You Come and Follow Me?*

**ELW 798**



- 1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
- 2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
- 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
- 4 “Will you love the you you hide if I but call
- 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your	name?	Will	you	go	where	you	don't
your	name?	Will	you	care	for	cruel	and
your	name?	Will	you	set	the	pris -	'ners
your	name?	Will	you	quell	the	fear	in -
my	name.	Let	me	turn	and	fol -	low



know	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
kind	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
free	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
side	and	nev -	er	be	the	same?
you	and	nev -	er	be	the	same.





Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
pray'r in you and you in me?"  
mean in you and you in me?"  
sound in you and you in me?"  
grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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## APOSTLES' CREED

**P:** Let us profess our faith together.

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

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

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

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

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

*A brief silence.*

Guide your church, O God. Anoint us for service and make us messengers of your peace. Emboldened by the witness of (*your apostles Peter and Paul and*) Christians throughout history, send us to proclaim your reign come near. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Protect this world, O God. Watch over fields and fruit trees, foxes and birds, the pleasant land beneath us and the sun and moon above. Keep us mindful of the rich inheritance you have given us in the natural world. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Counsel our leaders, O God. Make them steadfast in seeking justice and unable to be shaken as they pursue peace. Lead them by your Spirit to listen and respond to the people they govern. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Uphold all who suffer, O God. Give refuge to those of us who know rejection, and shelter to those of us who have nowhere to lay our heads. Bring any who are sick into your healing presence (*especially*). Give all your fullness of joy. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Set free this assembly, O God. Grow your Spirit's fruits within us and within our congregation's ministries (*local ministries may be named*). Set our faces always on you, that we might live in the freedom to which you have called us. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

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

P: Embrace all your saints, O God. We thank you for the faithful departed. Let us rejoice that you do not abandon us to the grave but lead us on the path of life. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**C: Amen.**

### **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

### **† THE MEAL †**

### **PRAYER**

**A:** Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

### **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.”

### **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.**

### **DIALOGUE**

**P:** Christ is alive!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

C: Amen.

*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 sing the communion hymns until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

### *O Master, Let Me Walk with You*

ELW 818

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly  
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,  
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;  
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward  
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith  
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home-ward way.  
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri-umphs o-ver wrong,  
 you can give; with you, O Mas-ter, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836–1918, alt.  
 Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825–1898

## *Be Thou My Vision*

ELW 793

- 1 Be thou my vi-sion, O Lord of my heart;
- 2 Be thou my wis-dom, and thou my true word;
- 3 Rich-es I heed not, nor vain, emp-ty praise,
- 4 Light of my soul, af-ter vic-to-ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev-er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in-her-i-tance, now and al-ways:  
 may I reach heav-en's joys, O heav-en's Sun!

thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel-ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on-ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what-ev-er be-fall,

wak-ing or sleep-ing, thy pres-ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav-en, my trea-sure thou art.  
 still be my vi-sion, O Rul-er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931  
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

*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: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

## † THE SENDING †

## BLESSING

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

## SENDING SONG

### *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

ELW 551

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The second system contains two staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are as follows:

1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel

Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -





to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream and help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Text: Delores Dufner, osb, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune in F Major*

**Brenda Portman**

***JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP TODAY  
FOR A PICNIC!***

***We welcome Rachel Helwig from Church World  
Service to Zion this morning!***

***Please be sure to greet her after the service or  
during the picnic!***

## **THIS WEEK AT ZION**

### **Sunday, June 29**

*\* The altar flowers are sponsored by Mary & Scott Hetrick in celebration of Katie's birthday on June 23!*

*\* The communion elements are sponsored by Janet Musselman in loving memory of Harry!*

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

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\\_3AeK\\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw)

All-Church Picnic – Following Worship (Cooper House Lawn)

### **Monday, June 30**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Tuesday, July 1**

Bible Study: “See Through the Scriptures” Series – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

### **Wednesday, July 2**

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Thursday, July 3**

### **Friday, July 4**

Office Closed

### **Saturday, July 5**

### **Sunday, July 6**

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

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## **UPDATED PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

If you have not already had your picture taken for the updated directory that is being created, please be sure to ask Pastor Tim or Dave Wauls to take yours!

*The goal is to have as many people included as possible!*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS**

**WELCOME RACHEL HELWIG** to Zion this morning! Rachel is the Associate Director of Development and Engagement at Church World Service – Lancaster. Rachel will share about the work of CWS during the announcements and during the picnic.

### **JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING**

Today is the last day to give to Church World Service through the Joyful Noise Offering. We welcomed Rwamucyo Karakezi, representative from CWS, last Sunday to worship and were blessed to hear some of his story and about CWS locally and around the world. The Joyful Noise Offering is going to CWS this month in honor of National Immigration Heritage Month and World Refugee Day which was on June 20! More info about CWS and the work this organization does can be read online: <https://cwslancaster.org/>

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL & RALLY DAY**

All classes will resume in September. A “God’s Work, Our Hands” Rally Day outreach project will be done on September 7 and Sunday School will resume on September 14!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS DURING WORSHIP**

The announcements will begin prior to the start of the service each Sunday, at 8:55 a.m. The prelude music will begin at 9:00. If you want to be sure to hear the announcements prior to the start of the service, plan to arrive early!

### **DAILY DEVOTIONALS**

Devotionals can be found on the ushers’ table, on the kiosk across from the mailboxes, and on the window sill ledge in the back hallway across from the choir room.

- Christ in Our Home devotionals (published by Augsburg Fortress)
- Our Daily Bread devotionals

And, if you are interested in an online daily devotional app, consider d365. There is an app for it or it can be accessed online. <https://d365.org/>.

### **CONNECTIONS BOX**

You are invited to write prayer requests, celebrations, updated contact information, concerns, and constructive contributions in the wooden box at the back of the sanctuary. If the message is confidential, please note that on the index card. The purpose of highlighting more than prayers is to increase communication that builds Zion up and that avoids negativity which tears Zion down.

## **WOODEN REPLICAS OF THE CHURCH**

Help yourself! They are located on the window sill in the back hallway and in the narthex between the sets of mailboxes.

## **COMFORTER MINISTRY**

If you have clean, flat, colorful sheets that you could donate to be used for the backs of comforters, the Comforter Ministry would greatly appreciate them. Place your donations in the bin in the narthex.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Care Ministry is looking to update our list of members (both men and women), who are willing to provide transportation for Zion members. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board by the water fountain.

## **FOOD PANTRY UPDATE**

In May, the pantry served 1,626 people which included 449 children, 821 adults, and 356 seniors. Additionally, 7 new families were registered to receive food. The pantry is always grateful for the donations and for the 509 hours of volunteer work last month! Zion donated 67 pounds of food to the pantry – THANK YOU! If you would like to donate items, requested items at this time are: cereal, canned corn, canned red beets, spaghetti sticks, elbow macaroni, penna, rigatoni, and jars of peanut butter (large and small).

*The Joyful Noise Offering in July will go to the Food Pantry to continue the church's support of this community outreach.*

## **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>

## **BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH PICNIC**

The next picnic will be held on July 31 at 11:30 a.m. at Salunga Park. Mark your calendar! Bring your lunch, your children, your friend, or your dog and have a good time being together! Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

## **JOURNEYS: A GROUP TO SUPPORT WELLNESS**

The next two gatherings for this group will focus on reducing stress and improving sleep. Mark your calendar for Friday, July 11 at 10:00 a.m. and/or Tuesday, July 22 at 6:30 p.m. Sign up or just come on over! You are welcome to bring a friend!

## LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION UPCOMING EVENTS

### DINNER CHURCH AT THE WITTEL FARM

**Sundays, July 6 and August 3 from 5-7 p.m.**

*Join friends, volunteers, and staff of The Wittel Farm for a Sunday evening dinner!*

*Additionally, the planting phase is upon us!*

*If you are interested in helping with the ministry of helping to provide fresh produce to the community, please contact Pastor Matt Lenahan, director. ([wfgp@wittelfarm.org](mailto:wfgp@wittelfarm.org))*

### CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

#### June

29: Picnic Following Worship (Cooper House Lawn)

#### July

11: Journeys Group (10 a.m.; Parlor)

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

31: Picnic in the Park (11:30 a.m.; Salunga Park)

#### August

28: Picnic in the Park (11:30 a.m.; Rapho Twp. Park)

#### September

7: Rally Day -- God's Work, Our Hands

14: Sunday School Begins

*If there is anything you or your ministry team is planning to do in the coming weeks or months, please be sure to let Pastor Tim or Anne know so it can be added to the events calendar!*



## **FAMILY & SENIORS SUMMER SPECIALS!**

***Wednesdays & Fridays thru August 15\****

***9 a.m.-4 p.m.***

***\$1.50 Mini-Golf***

***\$1.50 Bowling & Shoe Rental***

***\$1.50 Hot Dog & Drink Combo***

*\*Families: Wed. Only*

## **STEWARDSHIP CONDENSED REPORT**

### **May 2025**

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	17,842	82,378
Administration	2,239	8,210
Property	3,920	38,894
Stewardshp: Synod & Other Benevolence	2,357	12,137
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	2,126	5,983
 Total Expenses	 28,483	 147,602
 <u>Income</u>		
Offerings	17,165	96,672
Other	1,369	6,379
 Total Income	 18,534	 103,051
 Difference	 (9,949)	 (44,551)

**EVERY TWO SECONDS  
SOMEONE IN THE WORLD IS  
FORCED TO FLEE THEIR HOME  
DUE TO PERSECUTION,  
CONFLICT, AND VIOLENCE.**



Each year, World Refugee Day is recognized globally on June 20 to shine a light on the rights, needs, and dreams of people who have been forced to flee their homes.

**OVER 139 MILLION PEOPLE ARE EXPECTED TO BE FORCIBLY  
DISPLACED OR STATELESS BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.**

Right now millions of lives are being torn apart by conflict, persecution, insecurity or human rights violations. Less than 1% of those who have been forced to flee will find safety in resettlement to a third country like the United States, often after years of displacement. Instead, migrants, refugees, and people seeking asylum often face continued challenges and persecution as they work to keep their families safe and rebuild their lives.

For centuries, Lancaster County has been a place of refuge for individuals and families fleeing persecution and violence. CWS Lancaster is proud to stand in that long tradition, providing hope and home to more than 7,000 new refugee and immigrant neighbors since opening our office in 1987.

Across the nation and right here in Lancaster, refugees and immigrants are facing fear and uncertainty. Refugee resettlement has been halted, asylum seekers can no longer access their legal right to pursue safety, and immigrant families are being forced apart. These are not just statistics—these are real people, real families, real lives.



As we are reminded by Jesus in Matthew 25:35, *"For I was a stranger and you welcomed me."* In this spirit, we pray:



Wise and compassionate God,  
help us to be willing to respond to the needs of  
refugees and asylum-seekers, not to see them as burdens,  
and shift our care unto others.

Help our leaders act with generosity and compassion.

We pray for people living in fear of displacement  
and for those who are displaced currently,  
facing an uncertain future.

We ask that they know your love, and presence,  
and are filled with your peace.

Open our eyes, that we may see injustice; open our  
ears that we may hear a stranger's cry.

Open our mouths that we may speak words of welcome.

Bless the work of our hands so that  
together we may act.

*Amen*



**WE BELIEVE ALL FAMILIES  
DESERVE SAFETY & DIGNITY**

*Together in faith & rooted in love*  
we resolve to continue in the centuries-  
old practice of faith communities  
walking alongside refugees  
and immigrants in their  
pursuit of safety and dignity.



[cws Lancaster.org](http://cws Lancaster.org)



# **ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP GATHERING AT NISSLEY VINEYARDS**

**All are invited to join us at Nissley  
Vineyards for live music, food trucks,  
and drinks!**



**Stay tuned for the date and more info  
about tickets!**

*This is a picturesque open-air setting with spacious seating area bordered by the stone-arch winery, shady woods, and vineyard rows of ripening grapes, and with the bandstand set against a grove of trees. Come revel in this beautiful setting as daylight blends into a magical evening under the stars.*

**Questions? Contact Diane R. or Judy T.**

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

Holly Hoover  
Al Alsedek  
Bill Piper  
Deb Overly  
Kate Donnan  
John Gerlach  
Dave Wauls  
Connie Alsedek  
Bob Shirk  
Kathryn Kochel  
Dave Wise  
Joe Adams  
Tom Grzybowski  
Jess Barcaro  
Kay Crawford  
Judie Ingersoll  
Bill Grove  
Barb Williams  
Sam King  
Pam (Friend of the congregation)  
Deb Hobaugh (Friend of Deb & Rick Long)  
Tim Weigner (Friend of Adele King)  
Fred Boyle (Friend of Bob & Judy Traup)  
Wendy Gibbs (Friend of John Marrs)  
Lissa James (Niece of Connie Alsedek)  
Andrea Anderson (Niece of Dolly Overly)  
Joanne Myers (Friend of Connie Alsedek)  
Dennis Barcaro (Jess Barcaro's father-in-law)  
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)  
Rev. Janyce Jorgensen (Wife of Rev. Jorgensen)  
Randy Smith (Father-in-law of Adele King's daughter)  
Jack Taylor (6-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)  
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)  
Kara Escalante (Goddaughter of Barb & Tom Williams)  
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson and nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)

## ***COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY***

Lucy Davis  
Thelma Pearson  
Brooke Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)  
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)  
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

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

Doug Kautter  
Chris Andrew  
Evan Benedict  
Justin Gorlaski  
Thom Whitesel  
Christopher Wright  
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)  
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***

Konde Diocese  
Masebe congregation  
Pastor Subi Mwakitalima  
Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop, ELCA)  
James Dunlop (Bishop, LSS)  
Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Bishop, Konde Diocese)

## ***CELEBRATING & REMEMBERING***

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

30 <sup>th</sup> : Sue Rhoads	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Nancy Myers
5 <sup>th</sup> : Mary Hetrick, Wenda Ruch, Chrissy Rickert	6 <sup>th</sup> : Brett Rhoads

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

1 <sup>st</sup> : Marvin & Holly Hoover	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Al & Diane Ramer
6 <sup>th</sup> : Joe & Marie Adams	

**CONDOLENCES** to Rev. Pam Illick, pastor at Zion Lutheran (East Pete), on the death of her husband, Ed.

## MINISTRY LEADERS

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

Members of the Congregation  
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown  
John Landis  
Anne Rankin  
David Albin  
Diane Gerlach  
Kim Paternoster  
Denise Haun  
Tom Miller

## WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream Link:	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw</a>
Bible Study Class (Parlor)	Will resume in September
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Will resume in September
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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