

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

A Service of Word & Sacrament

March 3, 2024

Zeal
for your house will
consume me

JOHN 2:17



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 E. Brandt Boulevard

Landisville, PA

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us 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: Indoor 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. When the service is held outdoors, there will be no live-stream.

FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- ❖ 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, assist with other matters, and to answer questions.

Third Sunday in Lent

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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The commandments begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Westminster Abbey"

Please stand if you are able.

HYMN

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,
 you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
 to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,

bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
 ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and

help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
 one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

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 writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: **we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.**

We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

P: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through ✠ Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

KYRIE

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
Lord, have mer - cy. Have

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
Lord, have mer - cy.



[A] Cris - to, ten pie - dad.
 mer - cy on us, Christ.

[C] Cris - to, ten
 Have mer - cy on

[A] Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.
 Lord, have mer - cy.

pie - dad.
 us, Christ.

[C] Se - ñor,
 Lord,

[A] Se - ñor, ten pie-dad, Se - ñor.
 Lord, have mer - cy, Lord.

ten pie-dad.
 have mer - cy.

[C] ten pie-dad, Se - ñor.
 have mer - cy, Lord.

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. Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

EXODUS 20:1-17

The commandments are given at Sinai.

A: ¹God spoke all these words: ²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³You shall not murder. ¹⁴You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵You shall not steal. ¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19

Please read responsively.

A: ¹The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

C: ²One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

³Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

Christ crucified, the wisdom of God.

A: ⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Lord, Remember Me

Loonis McGlohon

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

BB 61

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

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.

JOHN 2:13-22

The cleansing of the temple.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd chapter.

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

P: ¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Dizon, Rep. from Safe Families for Children

**The Covenant with Noah
and every living thing
(Genesis 9)**



**The Covenant with
Abraham and Sarah
(Genesis 17)**



**The Covenant
with Israel
at Mount Sinai
(Exodus 20)**



**Blessed people+,
Bless people.**



The Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

WHAT IS THIS? or WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's needs.

**Bethany
Christian
Services:**

**Safe Families
for Children**



How might the Holy Spirit be
calling us to
partner with

Bethany Christian Services

to meet
and love
and bless others

amidst their struggles?

Please stand if you are able.



1 Lord Christ, when first you came to earth, up -
 2 O awe - some Love, which finds no room in
 3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, will
 4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in



on a cross they bound you, and mocked your sav - ing
 life where sin de - nies you, and, doomed to death, shall
 we a - gain re - fuse you, till in the night of
 us your new cre - a - tion; our pride is dust, our



king - ship's worth by thorns with which they crowned you. And
 bring to doom the pow'r that cru - ci - fies you, till
 hate and war we per - ish as we lose you? From
 vaunt is stilled; we wait your rev - e - la - tion. O



still our wrongs may fash - ion now new thorns to pierce that
 not a stone is left on stone, and then the na - tions'
 an - cient doubts our minds re - lease to seek the king - dom
 Love that tri - umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -



stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round you.
 pride, o'er - thrown, will nev - er - more de - fy you!
 of your peace, by which a - lone we choose you.
 fore your cross; come, fin - ish your sal - va - tion.

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 promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need. You alone are God. We thank you for the gift of sabbath rest. Awaken the church to the mystery of your presence and give us glad hearts as we receive the good news of your deliverance. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

You renew creation. Drive out those who would make the earth a marketplace. Protect rainforests, mountaintops, oceans, and wilderness areas from commercial exploitation. Unite nations, policymakers, and businesses in efforts to reduce carbon emissions. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You judge the nations. We pray for an end to war and strife in every land. Strengthen international efforts to negotiate peace and provide humanitarian aid to people fleeing from conflict. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You bring healing and hope. We give thanks for physicians, nurses, researchers, therapists, and public health workers who prevent and treat illness. We pray for any who are sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You abide with your people. Sustain any in this community undergoing life transitions: marriage, divorce, childbirth, adoption, moving, graduation, employment change, or a death in the family. We pray for those preparing for baptism. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You bring life from death. We remember our loved ones who have died, confident that they have new life in you. May we trust that nothing can separate us from your love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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

P: Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, 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: Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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

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

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

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

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

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

C: Amen.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: We pray together.

C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

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. 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 giving 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 hymns until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.



1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;

the shad - ow of a might-y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with-in a wil - der - ness, a rest up-on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,

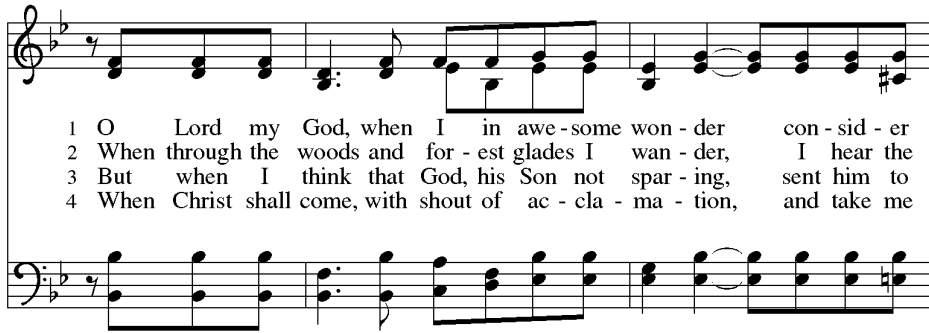
from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830–1869

Music: ST. CHRISTOPHER, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

How Great Thou Art

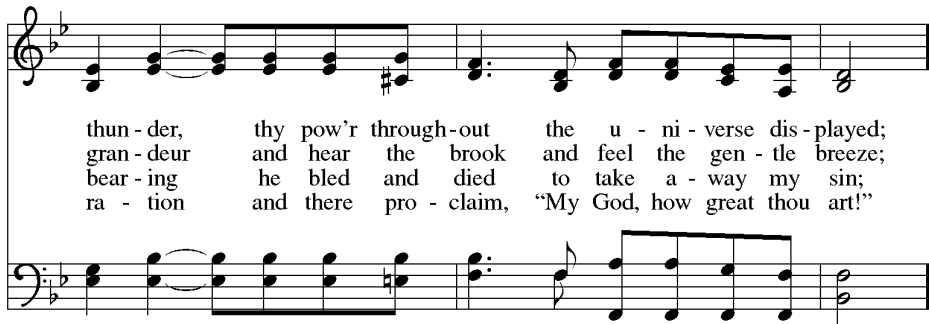
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1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der con - sid - er
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad - ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

Text: Carl G. Boberg, 1859–1940; tr. and adapt. Stuart K. Hine, 1899–1989
 Music: O STORE GUD, Swedish folk tune; adapt. Stuart K. Hine
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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: Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ☩ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share your bread.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "CWM Rhonda"

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, March 3 – *Welcome John Dizon from Safe Families for Children*

** The altar flowers are sponsored by Brenda Stover to the glory of God.*

** The bulletins and communion elements are sponsored by David Albin in loving memory of his parents, Charles and Betty.*

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

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

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

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

Scout Committee Meeting – 7 p.m.

Monday, March 4

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Property – 7 p.m. (Parlor)

Tuesday March 5

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6:30 p.m. (Classrooms, Social Room)

Worship & Music – 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 6

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Care Team – 3 p.m.

Thursday, March 7

Healing Service – 1 p.m.

Choir – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, March 8

Saturday, March 9 – *Daylight Savings Time Begins*

Sunday, March 10

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

ZION'S MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

SHARING OUR TREASURES: February Update

Our financial budget for January 2024 predicted a deficit (expenses greater than income) of \$7,802. Our actual deficit, however, was **(\$23,702)**. Although we typically anticipate being behind the eight ball early in the year, this deficit is greater than expected. A substantial portion of the deficit can be attributed to the purchase of a new server at the cost of over \$8,000 (under the Administration expense category). While an unexpected expense, and therefore unbudgeted, this purchase was absolutely necessary and essential for the day-to-day operations and functioning of the church. Other expense categories operated under budget, helping to somewhat offset this extraordinary expense.

The other substantial and disappointing portion of the deficit can be attributed to reduction in income: it was down \$17,000 from the income a year ago in January 2023. Last January, we did benefit from a \$9,500 distribution from the Betty Lou Hoffman Trust and another \$1,280 from a non-repetitive source. What this means is that \$6,000 of the deficit can be attributed to a reduction in member offerings. This is the concern.

This year there will be a Stewardship focus on **generosity**. Hopefully as the year progresses, we will receive both man-inspired and Holy Spirit-inspired guidance on how we should respond to God's generosity to us.

Then celebrate the Festival of Weeks to the Lord your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the Lord your God has given you. —Deuteronomy 16:10

ZELC CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT January 2024

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	15,651	15,651
Administration	10,856	10,856
Property	14,763	14,763
Stewardship: Synod & Other Benevolence	2,257	2,257
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	1,787	1,787
Total Expenses	45,314	45,314
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings & Special Giving	21,612	21,612
Other		
Total Income	21,612	21,612
Difference	(23,702)	(23,702)

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST – Sunday, March 24

Come to the Social Room after worship at 10:30 to enjoy a time of fellowship and good food! Please sign up on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes so that we know how many to expect. Contact Millie with questions (717-898-2313)!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In January, the pantry served 1,800 people, including 513 children, 902 adults, and 394 seniors. In addition, 14 new families were registered. Thank you to the 46 volunteers who donated 619 hours to help at the pantry!

Requested items this month: canned tuna, canned corn, canned pears, canned red beets, cereal, 1 lb. boxes of elbow macaroni, and 1 lb. boxes of spaghetti



Beginning today, contributions will go to Bridge of Hope, an organization that serves the homeless or individuals who are at risk of homelessness with rental assistance, and intensive case



management as they work to achieve long term stability. For more information, visit: <https://lanaster.bridgeofhopeinc.org>

HEALING SERVICES AT ZION **DURING LENT**

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 AT 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 AT 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:15 a.m.

* The Wired Word: In the Zone and on Zoom

[Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>]

* The class that meets in the parlor is beginning a 3-week study on “The Screwtape Letters” by C.S. Lewis. After Easter, the class will be picking up with the hit series “The Chosen.”

** Neither class will meet on Palm Sunday (3/24) nor Easter Sunday (3/31).*

EMPTY PILL BOTTLE RECYCLING OUTREACH PROJECT

Bring in your empty, clean, unlabeled pill bottles and help improve health care in developing nations. Types of empty pill bottles that are being accepted include: prescription pill bottles, large and small pill bottles, pill bottles with and without child resistant caps, and over-the-counter pill bottles. Donations will be sent around the world and used to distribute medicine in sterile containers. This initiative is run by Matthew 25 Ministries. Place bottles in the bin in the narthex; contact Diane R. with questions.



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



Spring Quilting Retreat: March 15-17 at Kirchenwald

Come enjoy a weekend gathering of women to share fellowship and talents!

Register by March 8. Weekend: \$180; 2-Days (one overnight): \$110; Saturday: \$65

Summer Camp Open Houses: March 17 & April 14

**2-4:30 p.m. @ Kirchenwald
and Nawakwa**

Come meet some of the summer camp staff! Take a tour of the camp! Get a \$10 gift certificate for the camp store to new campers!



Dinner Church: TODAY; April 7; May 5 5 p.m. @ The Wittel Farm

Dinner Church is a community gathered around a shared meal to listen, connect, sing, pray, eat, drink, and be with God in creation. Bring some food to share.

For more information about these or other events at Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, or The Wittel Farm, visit: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/>



PSU Fellowship Outing!
Thank you to the Men of Zion for organizing this event!



If you have ideas or are planning for anything, please let the office know so we're all kept in the loop!

2024 CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

THRU THE SPRING...

March

- 7: Healing Service (1 p.m.)
- 14: Community Meal
- 14: Healing Service (7:30 p.m.)
- 24: Palm Sunday Brunch (10:30 a.m.)
(No Sunday School)
- 28: Community Meal

April

- 11: Community Meal
- 14: Hempfield Choir Concert
- 25: Community Meal

May

- 4: Liederkrantz Spring Concert
- 9: Community Meal
- 19: Pentecost Brunch (no SS)
- 23: Community Meal
- 23: Choir Festival Concert

SUMMER AND BEYOND...

Suggested June-August

(Not yet scheduled)

- 2 outdoor worship services
- Bike/Hike on trail
- Progressive dinner
- Picnic lunches
- Open to suggestions!

September

- 8: Rally Day Catered Fellowship Luncheon (no SS)

October

- 3: Picnic at Lake Grubb
- 20: Crop Walk

December

- 7: Women of Zion Advent Breakfast
- 7: Liederkrantz Christmas Concert
- 22: Christmas Trivia during SS hour

PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Dave Wauls	Dick Olson	Cindy Blough	Bob Shirk
Jess Barcaro	Sam King	Bill Grove	Connie Alsedek
Joe Adams	Mary Zimmerman	Marvin Ruch	Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll	Holly Hoover	Barb Williams	John Hay
Kay Crawford	Tom Grzybowski	Dolly Overly	
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		Ed Illick (Husband of Pastor Pam Illick)	
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)		Renee Willamon (Friend of Pat Landis)	
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)			
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)			
Isaac Miller (Great nephew of Judy & Bob Traup)			
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson; Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)			
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			
Rev. David Klepper (Father of Dave Klepper and friend of the congregation)			

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson	Lucy Davis	George Potts
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)	Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)	
Diane Gerlach and her family on the death of her brother, Bob Steinmetz		
Cathy Shirk on the death of her friend, Tammy Jacobs		
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

Evan Benedict	Christopher Wright	Chris Andrew	Thom Whitesel
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!

3 rd – Rick Rainar	7 th – John Hay
4 th – Connie Alsedek, Andrew Bernhard, Barb Wildasin	8 th – Darrell Gerke

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

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream & Recorded Link	http://bit.ly/Zion_Live
Bible Study Class (Parlor)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
	No class on 3/24 and 3/31
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266
	No class on 3/24 and 3/31
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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