

# HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

*A Service of Word & Sacrament*

May 30, 2021



**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 with in-person or online this morning! 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). Should you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with Pastor Sell.

## **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](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**

- ❖ Please social distance at all times and sanitize your hands using the hand sanitizer units located on the walls in the hallways, Connection Zone, and Social Room.
- ❖ Please wear masks at all times.
- ❖ During the songs and music, you are invited to hum along. Please refrain from singing.
- ❖ A no-touch temperature screening is required by all who enter the church prior to worship.
- ❖ Only one individual may be in restrooms at a time. Please follow the signs on the restroom doors.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating and to the offering plates.

# Holy Trinity Sunday

## *A Service of Word & Sacrament*

*P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation*

### INTRODUCTION

*Lutheran worship has always been Bible centered. For the next several weeks, you will see Bible verses referencing the locations of phrases we use in the liturgy. A detailed list of Biblical references may be found in Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW – red book hymnal page 1154f). You will see some of these biblical references noted throughout the service.*

*When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.*

### CHIMES & CONTEMPLATIVE MUSIC

*The playing of the chimes & soft music marks the beginning of a prayerful quiet time prior to the start of the service. This is a time to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

### † THE GATHERING †

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Arr. Douglas E. Wagner

*Please stand if you are able.*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (*Matthew 28:19*)

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

C: **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God our provider,

C: **help us.**

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

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

C: **Amen.**

**HYMN**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

ELW413

*You are invited to hum along.*

- 1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

**GREETING** (*II Corinthians 13:14*)

**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. Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

† **THE WORD** †

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 6:1-8

**A:** <sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.”

<sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

**A:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

Romans 8:12-17

**A:** <sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**A:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN’S CHAT

Pastor Sell

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Come, Thou Almighty King*  
*You are invited to hum along.*

ELW 408

- 1 Come, thou almighty King,  
help us thy name to sing;  
help us to praise;  
Father all-glorious,  
o'er all victorious,  
come and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, thou incarnate Word,  
merciful, mighty Lord;  
our prayer attend.  
Come and thy people bless,  
and give thy word success,  
and let thy righteousness  
on us descend.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

*Please stand if you are able.*

## GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

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

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## MESSAGE

Pastor Sell

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

Arr. Donald Busarow

*Please stand if you are able.*

## THE CREED

P: We now proclaim our faith with the words of the Creed and the explanations from the Small Catechism about what each Article means.

The First Article: *On Creation*

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

**C: I believe that God has created me together with all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and all mental facilities.**

**In addition, God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, fields, livestock, and all property – along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life. God protects me against all danger and shields and preserves me from all evil. And all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all! For all of this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.**

P: The Second Article: *On Redemption*

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

**C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchased and feed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. He has done all this in order that I may belong to him, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.**



P: The Third Article: *On Being Made Holy*  
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.

C: **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.**

#### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL** (*I Timothy 2:1-2*)

A: Let us come before the triune God in prayer.  
We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for this worshipping community at Zion – those gathered in-person and those with us watching the live-stream, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**



We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith. We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: *Additional petitions may be inserted.*

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

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

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

### † THE MEAL †

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **SETTING OF THE TABLE**

#### **OFFERING SONG**

*Father Most Holy*

ELW 415

*You are invited to hum along.*

1 Father most holy, merciful, and tender;  
Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning;  
Spirit of comfort, advocate, defender, light never waning.

2 Trinity blessed, unity unshaken;  
goodness unbounded, very God of heaven,  
light of the angels, joy of those forsaken, hope of all living.

3 Maker of all things, all thy creatures praise thee;  
all for thy worship were and are created;  
now, as we also worship thee devoutly, hear thou our voices.

4 Lord God Almighty, unto thee be glory,  
one in three persons, over all exalted!  
Glory we offer, praise thee and adore thee, now and forever.

Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936, alt.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

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

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### *The Dialogue*

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: **And also with you.**
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### *The Preface*

- P: It is indeed right and our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn with these words:
- C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, (Revelation 4:8)  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. (Isaiah 6:3)  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (Luke 19:38)  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. (John 12:13)**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.



*(Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-25; I Corinthians 11:23-26)*

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

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

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

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

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

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

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

**C: Come, Lord Jesus.**

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

**C: Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Luke 11:1-4)*

P: We pray together.

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

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION**

*The congregation opens the wafer packet.*

P: The body of Christ given for you.

C: **Amen.**

*The congregation opens the cup.*

P: The blood of Christ shed for you.

C: **Amen.**

*Please place communion cups & wrappers in the trash as you exit the Sanctuary.*

### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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

C: **Amen.**

### **† THE SENDING †**

**MUSICAL BENEDICTION** *Come, Join the Dance of Trinity*  
*You are invited to hum along.*

ELW 412

1 Come, join the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun—  
the interweaving of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.  
The universe of space and time  
did not arise by chance,  
but as the Three, in love and hope,  
made room within their dance.



3 Come, speak aloud of Trinity,  
as wind and tongues of flame  
set people free at Pentecost  
to tell the Savior's name.

We know the yoke of sin and death,  
our necks have worn it smooth;  
go tell the world of weight and woe  
that we are free to move!

4 Within the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun,  
we sing the praises of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.

Let voices rise and interweave,  
by love and hope set free,  
to shape in song this joy, this life:  
the dance of Trinity.

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*Please stand if you are able.*

## **BLESSING**

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

**C:** **Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

ELW 756

*You are invited to hum along.*

1 Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
who bade the mighty ocean deep  
its own appointed limits keep:  
oh, hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.



2 O Savior, whose almighty word  
the winds and waves submissive heard,  
who walked upon the foaming deep,  
and calm amid the storm didst sleep:  
oh, hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

3 O Holy Spirit, who didst brood  
upon the chaos dark and rude,  
and bid its angry tumult cease,  
and give, for wild confusion, peace:  
oh, hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,  
all trav'lers guard in danger's hour  
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
protect them wheresoe'er they go;  
thus evermore shall rise to thee  
glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.

**DISMISSAL** (*Matthew 28:19; John 20:21*)

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

**C:** **Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated.*

**POSTLUDE**

*Fanfare on "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

D. M. Dicie

*Please remain seated through the postlude. In order to maintain physical distancing safety protocol, the ushers will dismiss you at the conclusion of the service.*

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***Join us next Sunday for worship outdoors in  
the Cooper House yard.  
[Please bring your own chair or blanket to sit on.]***

## OUR AMAZING LIFE THROUGH FEARSOME DEATH

*Holy. Glory. These words in the first reading and psalm testify to awe at God's transcendent sovereignty, fearsome majesty, and infinite mystery. No mortal can see God's face or hear God's voice and live. The fear expressed in these readings is personal—a living mortal in awe of the living God. In our age, awe at transcendent mystery tends toward the impersonal—at the invisibly small (in physics, quarks and strings) and the unimaginably large (space and time). Does anyone in our age still cultivate the fear of an unmanageable transcendent God, or is the notion too connected to images of a heavenly bully to be useful? Besides, Paul and Jesus each offer a picture of God's immanence. Paul invites us to revel in God's approachability, affirming that we can cry, "Abba! Father!" Jesus proclaims the most famous Bible verse of all, telling of God's great love and desire to save.*

*But both Jesus and Paul testify that any presumption of easy friendship and comfortable intimacy with the triune God is as out of place now as ever. The immanent God is still the transcendent God! And it is still true: no mortal can see God's face or hear God's voice and live—even if the face and voice belong to Jesus through the Holy Spirit. The life God desires for us is accomplished through Jesus' death—and through our own through baptism. Those deaths are as utterly terrifying as death always is, but with this grace: the death leads to our holy birth from above into a life where "we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him" (Rom. 8:17).*





# **THIS WEEK AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH**

## **Sunday, May 30 – *Trinity Sunday***

*\* The altar flowers are sponsored to the glory of God.*

*\*The bulletins are sponsored by Bob, Mike, & Jim Wildasin in memory of Cleo Wildasin's life and death, May 29, 2016.*

*\* The communion kits are sponsored by Jo Stone in honor of all those who have served and are serving our country.*

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Livestream Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Link: [http://bit.ly/Zion\\_Live](http://bit.ly/Zion_Live)

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

Wired Word Sunday School Class – 10:30 a.m. (Zoom)

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

## **Monday, May 31 – *Memorial Day***

Office Closed

Food Pantry Closed

## **Tuesday, June 1**

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

Social Outreach – 6:00 p.m. (Randy Miller's Home)

## **Wednesday, June 2**

Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## **Thursday, June 3**

Community Meal Drive-Thru – 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.

Personnel Team – 6:30 p.m. (Zoom)

## **Friday, June 4**

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

## **Saturday, June 5**

Kim Propst Memorial Service – Visitation: 10:00 a.m./Service: 11:00 a.m.

## **Sunday, June 6 – *Outdoor Service***

In-Person Outdoor Worship – 9:00 a.m. *[No Livestream]*

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

Mennonite Children's Choir Concert – 7:00 p.m. (Mt. Gretna Tabernacle)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 6, AT 9:00 A.M.**

Worship will be outdoors next Sunday, June 6, in the Cooper House yard! Since the service is outdoors, there will be singing! Thanks to those who gave John titles of some of your favorite worship songs. Feel free to dress casually...and be sure to bring your own chair (or blanket if you prefer to sit on the grass).

A graphic with the text "Outdoor Worship Service" in white, bold, sans-serif font. The background is a blurred image of green grass and a yellow sky.

### **GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

Graduates will be honored on Sunday, June 20. If you have not already, please let the office know by Tuesday of any members who have graduated high school, college, or graduate school since last June. Please also share anything unique or interesting like an internship experience or special awards, as well as plans for “what’s next.”

A purple graphic with the text "COVID-19 PROTOCOL UPDATES" in white, bold, sans-serif font. The background is a blurred image of a church interior.

### **FROM THE TRANSITION TEAM: BEGINNING JUNE 13**

Beginning Sunday, June 13, some of the COVID-safety protocols currently in place will be modified. Temperature checks prior to entering the Sanctuary will no longer be taken, more than one person will be permitted in the restroom at a given time, pews will not be cordoned off, and physical distancing will not be enforced. In addition, there will be the option of receiving communion in continuous fashion or with the communion kits at your pew.

A colorful graphic with the text "Thank you!" in a playful, bubbly font. The letters are in various colors (orange, blue, green, red) and are surrounded by small blue and pink starburst shapes.

### **...FROM JESS & MATT BARCARO**

Thank you for the basket of goodies that was so generously given to Grant. I know time and effort was put into the handmade teddy bear and beautiful crocheted blanket, and it is much appreciated. Also appreciated are your continued prayers for Grant and his development. ❤️

### **... FROM JOANNE GRIM**

Thank you to my church family during my recovery. I felt them all and am doing fine! I am blessed to have a caring church.

### **SHRUB REMOVAL AND TRIMMING**

You may notice that some of the shrubs around the perimeter of the church building have been removed or cut back. This was done as recommended by the Secure Church Team and suggestions by local police with the intention of keeping the property as safe as possible. Thank you to Cathy & Todd Benedict and Jim Paternoster for taking care of this.

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE: APRIL & YEAR-TO-DATE**

- April Expenses: \$20,479      April Income from Offering: \$\$17,689
- YTD: Expenses: \$\$79,358      YTD Income from Offering: \$\$92,694
- Approved YTD Budget: \$114,735

## **ZION NIGHT AT THE BARNSTORMERS**

The Parish Fellowship Team and the Men of Zion are sponsoring a Night at the Barnstormers on Wednesday, August 18; game time begins at 6:30; ticket cost will be \$12. Stay tuned for more information and a sign-up sheet in a couple of weeks.



## **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE**

Tomorrow is the last day to take any of the surplus medical equipment that the church has. Any items not taken will be donated. If you don't need anything, maybe someone you know does. Anyone is welcome to any of the items listed below:

- Shower/bath chair (1)
- Extra-large bedside commode chair (1)
- Walkers with seats (3)
- Regular walkers with wheels (2)
- Pair of wooden crutches (1)

## **JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTION**



Today is the last day to contribute to the May Joyful Noise offering that will go to the Veterans' Victory House. This organization provides transitional living for homeless veterans.



Beginning next Sunday and throughout the rest of June, the offering will go to the Hempfield School District School Lunch Program. This program helps to offset balances due on student lunch accounts.

## **THANK YOU FROM BETHANY CHILDREN SERVICES**

Thank you so much for your Joyful Noise offering! Your gift will make a difference for the children and families we serve across Central PA. May God bless and continue to use you as the body of Christ to provide support and assistance to those who are in need.



## **UPDATED EMAIL ADDRESSES**

- James Grube: [jegrube@att.net](mailto:jegrube@att.net)
- Mary Zimmerman: [mzimmer231@comcast.net](mailto:mzimmer231@comcast.net)
- Doug Rhoads: [drhoads270@comcast.net](mailto:drhoads270@comcast.net)

## HELP SEND BRENDA TO 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE INITIATIVE



As you may know, our ChildFund-sponsored daughter, Brenda, is currently wrapping up her 6th grade year in school. She is very much looking forward to being able to start her next grade level and to continue her studies; she has expressed to us in her letters that she wants to be a nurse some day! With this as a priority for her, the Parlor Sunday School Class offering collection has been going to her education specifically for the last couple of years. These special gift contributions help make it possible for her to keep progressing in school, something she values and appreciates so much.

HERE'S WHERE YOU COME IN: While the church supports her annual sponsorship amount (\$300), it obviously costs more than that to afford her extra supplies and things associated with attending school. With these things in mind, *the Parlor Class is inviting you to join them in helping to*

*support Brenda with the additional educational costs.* She will need \$534 by August to begin the fall term. If you would like to contribute toward the "Help Send Brenda To 7<sup>th</sup> Grade" initiative, please write checks payable to Zion and note in the memo line "Brenda A. Education: ChildFund."



## JUNE EVENTS AT MOUNT GREटना TABERNACLE [all events begin at 7 p.m.]



\* Fri., 6/4: Ecumenical Service (Rev. Bryan McAllister, Heart A.M.E., Roselle, NJ)

\* Sun., 6/6: Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster

\* Fri., 6/11: Ecumenical Service (Rev. Jeffrey Schell, Trinity ECC, Manheim)

### Mt. Gretna Campmeeting

\* Fri., 6/18: Ecumenical Service (Father James Lease, St.

Catherine Laboure Catholic Church, Harrisburg)

\* Sun., 6/20: Andy Roberts Jazz Quartet

\* Fri., June 25 @ 7 p.m.: Ecumenical Service (Rev. Len Knighton, Chaplain of the Lebanon Valley Home & host of "Country Church Music Time" on WLBR radio

\* Sun., June 27 @ 7 p.m.: New Holland Band



## JUNE EVENTS CALENDAR

The June Events Calendar is available! It has been sent out electronically and is inserted in your bulletin. Additional copies are available on the ushers' table in the Narthex.

## WINDOWS OF ZION

“Windows of Zion” is a special series to bring attention to the unique stained-glass windows around the church. The windows shown below are New Testament windows that depict the names that Jesus called Himself. These windows are the first two windows in the front hallway, at the mailboxes.

**John 11: 25**

**“I am the resurrection and the life”.**

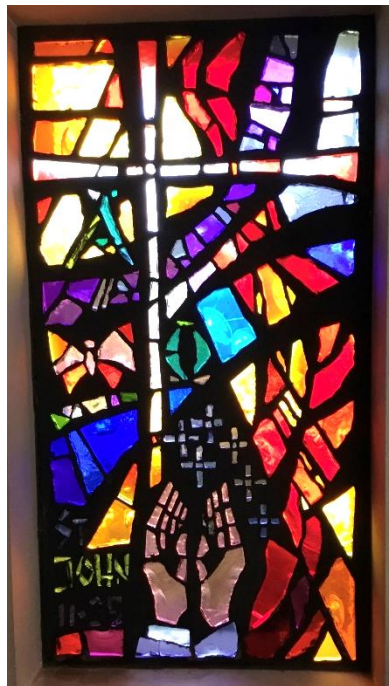


*Here we see the cross on which Christ was crucified and a butterfly which represents His resurrection.*

*The small crosses represent the dead waiting for the day of the last judgement.*

*The Greek letters for Alpha and Omega represents a statement from Revelation: “I am the beginning and the end.”*

*The hands are our hands reaching up to God to receive everlasting life.*



**John 8:12**

**“I am the light of the World”**

*A burning candle is the most popular symbol of Christ as a “light to the world”.*

*The Holy Bible is another source of light as it gives us “spiritual light” and helps us understand God.*

*By sharing this light of God, we spread the Gospel over the whole world as pictured in the lower left corner.*





## FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS

If you are planning to donate to the Pantry in the next few weeks, please consider giving: canned fruit, mixed vegetables, and/or garbanzo beans; 1 or 2 lb. packages of rice; noodles; boxed pasta & pasta sauce; cereal; oatmeal (regular or quick, NOT instant)

## PICNIC IN THE PARK

All are invited to come out for a picnic at Rapho Twp. Community Park on June 24 at 11:30! In previous months, the picnic had been on Wednesdays; some folks have expressed that that is not a good day, so, in June it will be on a Thursday! We hope you can make it!

*Folks gathered for the Picnic in the Park on 5/26.  
The cupcakes were in celebration of  
Jim Gundel's birthday on 5/30!*



## Faith Formation

- **ADULT IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*The adult Sunday School Class led by Dave Dumeyer meets each Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. worship service in the parlor.*

- **WIRED WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL ON ZOOM**

*Today is the last Wired Word Class until September 12. You are welcome to join the Zoom link anytime after 10:15: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>*

- **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL VIDEOS**

*The children's lesson can be found on the church website ([www.zionhempfield.net](http://www.zionhempfield.net)) under the Faith Formation page under Children & Youth Education or you can get to it directly at: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D\\_ej7dcQoU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D_ej7dcQoU)*

- **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS**

*There are bags at the back of the sanctuary for children during worship and then to take home.*

- **BIBLE STUDY**

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

- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

*Zion will not have a VBS. If you are interested in in-person Vacation Bible School opportunities for children and/or adults this summer held elsewhere, please contact the church office.*

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

Rick Long	Thelma Pearson	Marvin Ruch
Kate Donnan	Barbara Williams	Dave Wise
Don Heartter	Joe Adams	Judie Ingersoll
Bill Grove	Kay Crawford	Holly Hoover
Jeff Rickert	Janet & Harry Musselman	
Samuel Herman (Father of Amy Thompson)		
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)		
Meghan Frey (Friend of the congregation)		
Robin Coons (Daughter-in-law of Dianne & Mark Coons)		
LaVon Harnish (Friend of Jeanette Bomberger)		
Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)		
Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)		
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)		
Lesli LaFata (Daughter of Bill & Julia Grove)		

***FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY***

Lucy Davis	Nancy Smith	Betty Stoner
Arlene Miller	Deb McCartney	Bette Geibel
Richard & Marilyn Heim	George Potts	
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)		
Brenda Alimo (Zion's Sponsored Child)		
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)		
Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)		
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)		

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

Evan Benedict	Christopher Wright	Chris Andrew
Thom Whitesel	Ryan Stitzel	Doug Kautter
Justin Gorlaski	Jared Shiner (Grandson of Diane Gerlach)	
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)		
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)		

***IN CELEBRATION***

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

30 <sup>th</sup> – Jim Gundel	1 <sup>st</sup> – Isaac Rhoads	4 <sup>th</sup> – Josh Deibler
5 <sup>th</sup> – Mitch Gunzenhauser, Ryan Stitzel		

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

3<sup>rd</sup> – John & Kathleen Hay

