# 20th Sunday after Pentecost

A Service of Word & Sacrament October 6, 2024



#### 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 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.

#### **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: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\_3AeK\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\_3AeK\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw</a>. 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. Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Chat. The Puppet Theater will share a special message on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. In addition, 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 <u>cry room</u> while also still being able to listen to the service.
- ❖ <u>Ushers</u> 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

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

#### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GENEROSITY TEMPLE TALK

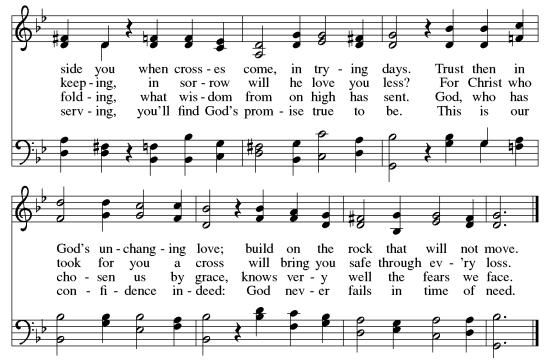
**PRELUDE** 

Wer nun der lieben Gott

J. S. Bach

Please stand if you are able.





Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark Text © 1978, 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

#### **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,  $\pm$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

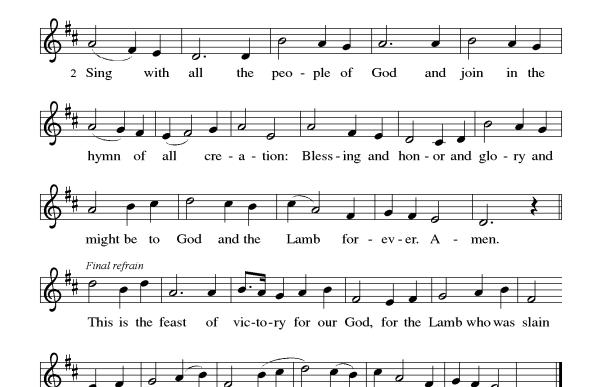
P Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.
- C: Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**





#### GREETING

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

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C: And also with you.

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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray. Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

Please be seated.

#### † THE WORD †

#### Genesis 2:18-24

Created for relationship.

A: <sup>18</sup>The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup>So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." <sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 8

Please read responsively.

A: <sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

C:. <sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field, <sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

#### Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

God has spoken by a Son.

A: <sup>1</sup>Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup>He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup>having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

<sup>2:5</sup>Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup>But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? <sup>7</sup>You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup>subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup>It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup>saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S CHAT & QUILT BLESSING

Please stand if you are able.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Blest Be the Tie That Binds

**ELW 656** 

- Blest be the tie that binds
   Our hearts in Christian love;
   The unity of heart and mind
   Is like to that above.
- 2. Before our Father's throneWe pour our ardent prayers;Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,Our comforts and our cares.
  - 3. We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear, And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.
- 4. From sorrow, toil, and pain,
  And sin we shall be free;
  And perfect love and friendship reign
  Through all eternity.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817, alt.

#### Mark 10:2-16

Teaching on marriage.

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.
- P: <sup>2</sup>Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" <sup>3</sup>He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" <sup>4</sup>They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." <sup>5</sup>But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup>'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

<sup>10</sup>Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. <sup>11</sup>He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; <sup>12</sup>and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

<sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

**Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown** 



#### A text without a context is a "con!"

- I. Honor as Social Capital: In the firstcentury Mediterranean culture, honor was the most valuable currency, determining social standing, respect, and acceptance within the community.
- 2. Shame as Social Control: Shame was a tool to maintain social conformity to social norms and expectations. Actions leading to shame could result in exclusion from one's social group.



- 3. Divorce as a Public Affair: In Mark 10:2-16, the Pharisees' question about divorce was not just a legal query but a test of Jesus' stance on a significant public matter that impacted one's honor.
- 4. Patriarchal Authority: In the honor/shame system, men held the power to initiate divorce, often with little consequence, while women were more vulnerable to shame as a result.
- 5. Protection of Vulnerable Women: Jesus says that divorcing a wife and remarrying equates to committing adultery against her (Mark 10:11-12); this challenges the male-dominated system and protects the women dishonored.



- 6. Honor in Marriage: Marriage was seen as a union that protected the family's honor. Divorce, especially for trivial reasons, could be seen as dishonoring the family, particularly women.
- 7. Jesus Elevates Women's Honor: By placing the responsibility of adultery on men as well (because women in that culture), Jesus restores honor to women, positioning them as equals.
- 8. Radical Rejection of Shame: Jesus' teaching rejects the arbitrary shaming of women in divorce and instead reorients marriage towards mutual respect, without reinforcing the social stigma of shame.



9. Children and Social Status: In Mark 10:13-16, Jesus blessing the little children defies the cultural norm where children had little honor or status. He affirms their honor and dignity.

10. Divine Honor and Earthly Honor: Jesus' invitation to receive the kingdom like a child (Mark 10:15) shifts away from societal honor to the honor that comes from God, emphasizing humility over status.

II. Reign of God Ethics: Jesus' teaching on marriage and children completely reframes the social structures of honor and shame in the first century, encouraging disciples to embody Kingdom of God values where all, including women and children, are honored equally with divine dignity as image bearers.



12. Jim Wilder's concept of the "relational switch" emphasizes the importance of relational health and connection over societal status:

In Mark 10:2-16, Jesus prioritizes authentic relationships and compassionate community over the rigid honor/shame norms, promoting a model where love and mutual respect foster true relational flourishing.

This aligns with his idea of thriving in community rather than adhering to social hierarchy.

Please stand if you are able.

#### When in Our Music God Is Glorified

- 1. When in our music God is glorified, And adoration leaves no room for pride, It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!
- 2. How oft, in making music, we have found A new dimension in the world of sound, As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!
- 3. So has the church, in liturgy and song, In faith and love, through centuries of wrong, Borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue: Alleluia!
- 4. And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night When utmost evil strove against the light? Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight: Alleluia!
- 5. Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise; Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise; And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

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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: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church toward renewal and justice. God of grace,

#### C: hear our prayer.

Creator of every creature on earth, direct our lives toward the renewal and sustaining of cattle, birds of the air, animals of the field, and those who share our homes. Reveal the ways we can work alongside creation for the health and wellbeing of all. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, we give thanks that you are mindful and benevolent to even us, mere mortals. Accompany us when hardness of heart gets in the way of justice between people and nations. Endow leaders with minds for justice and hearts for compassion. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering. Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Unifying God, humans were created for relationship with the earth, its creatures, and one another. Forgive us when division threatens companionship, mutual support, and unity among us. May your love inspire us to build supportive communities of faith where all are cherished. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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

P: God of resurrection, you prepare a place in the kingdom through Christ's death and resurrection. We give thanks for the saints who have taken their place at your heavenly banquet. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: And also with you.

#### † THE MEAL †

#### **PRAYER**

A: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER BASED ON MARK 10:2-16**

- P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are the source of true honor. The universe sings your praise, from the vastness of the stars to the smallest breath of life, proclaiming your love without end.
- C: We praise you, O God.
- P: Throughout generations, your faithfulness has been our guide: through the waters of creation, the trials of the wilderness, and into the promise of your kingdom. You have called the lowly and lifted the shamed, restoring their honor and place in your family.
- C: We bless you, O God.
- P: We give you thanks for your dear Son, who walks among us—near to those who suffer, beside those cast out, and with those shamed by the world. In his life, he uplifted women and children, challenging the systems of dishonor and shame, and inviting all to receive your kingdom like children, with humility and trust.
- C: We thank you, O God.
- P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, 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."

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit among us, in this meal, and in your church. May we embody the radical honor of your kingdom, where all, regardless of status or power, are welcomed and loved. Empower us to live without fear of shame, reflecting the love of Christ that lifts the vulnerable and restores the broken. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

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

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

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: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### † THE SENDING †

#### **BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.





#### **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God. We will! C:

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### Postlude on "Nun Danket"



#### THIS WEEK AT ZION

#### Sunday, October 6

- \* The altar flowers are sponsored by Jeff & Amy Thompson in celebration of their anniversary on October 3!
- \* The bulletins are sponsored by Randy Miller in honor of all his friends at Zion!
- \* The communion elements are sponsored by Al & Diane Ramer in gratitude for all of the ways Zion brings people together and cares for those in need..

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

Livestream/Recorded Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\_3AeK\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

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

Blessing of the Animals – 5 p.m. (Cooper House Yard)

#### Monday, October 7

Comforter Ministry – 9 a.m. (Social Room/Kitchen)

Food Pantry -10 a.m. -1 p.m.

Property – 7 p.m. (Parlor)

#### **Tuesday, October 8**

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts -6:30-8 p.m.

Zion Arts – 7 p.m. (Marrs' Home)

#### Wednesday, October 9

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Faith Sharing -1 p.m.

Social Outreach – 5:30 p.m. (HotZ)

#### Thursday, October 10

Community Meal - 5 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal – 6 p.m.

#### Friday, October 11

Saturday, October 12

#### Sunday, October 13

Worship (w/ Puppet Theater) – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded) Livestream/Recorded Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\_3AeK\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

#### PUPPET THEATER

The Puppet Theater has returned to worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays during the Children's Chat! All children are invited to come forward to enjoy an entertaining and meaningful message!

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

- The adult class that meets in the parlor has started its fall session with video episodes from season 4 of "The Chosen"—the life and ministry of Jesus. Jeff Thompson leads the discussion for the class. All are invited. Come and join in discussing the popular series.
- This week the Wired Word class will meet in the Zone and on Zoom (<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</a>). If you would like to receive the weekly lesson, let Anne know and she will add you to the email list.

#### JOYFUL NOISE

The offering this month will go toward shipping expenses for the LWR care kits and quilts all over the world. You may contribute with cash or check (make payable to "Zion Lutheran Church" and note "LWR Shipping Fund" in the memo line).

#### **OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS**

The September/October/November booklets are available on the ushers' table in the narthex and on the window ledge in the back hallway. Help yourself! Take one for you and more to share with others!

#### FOOD PANTRY THANK YOU & REQUEST LIST UPDATE

Requested food items right now include: cereal, large jars of peanut butter, large jars of jelly, spaghetti sticks, macaroni and other pastas, large canned spaghetti sauce, regular size canned spaghetti sauce.

#### LOOKING AHEAD: GENEROSITY INTENT SUNDAYS

- ➤ <u>Proposed 2025 Budget Information Session</u>: Sunday, November 3 after worship.
- ➤ <u>Annual Congregational Meeting</u>: Sunday, November 10 after worship.

You may have already received a letter in the mail this past week explaining a bit about the Intent Sundays. If you haven't received it yet ... keep an eye out for it! Intent Card will be in mailboxes next Sunday!



HELP GET THE
WORD OUT! If you
would like a copy of
this flyer to hang up
or distribute,
contact Anne in the
office.

WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.

2024

CROP HUNGER WALKS

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

# TEAM ZION'S REGISTRATION & DONATION PAGE IS OPEN! October 20 at 1:30 p.m.

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/zion-evangelical-lutheran-church-landisville-2

Contact Randy with questions!

#### TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Morning Bible Study has resumed! All are invited to join in a study of the lectionary passages on Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. in the parlor. Bring your favorite Bible (or use one of ours) and discover what is in the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday.

#### ZION ARTS COMEDY NIGHT: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 @ 8 P.M.!



Come out to Zion to support Zion Arts and for a laugh-filled evening of comedy with professional comedian Andy Beningo and special guest Des Mulrooney. There will be no political wisecracks, it's family friendly, and it's all FREE! The Zion Arts Committee would love to see you there!



#### **2024 CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

#### **October**

- 6: Blessing of the LWR Quilts & Care Kits
- 6: Blessing of the Animals (5 p.m.)
- 10: Community Meal (5 p.m.)
- 13: Puppet Theater (in worship)
- 19: Zion Arts Comedy Night (8 p.m.)
- 20: Crop Walk (1:30 p.m.)
- 24: Community Meal (5 p.m.)
- 27: Puppet Theater (in worship)



#### **November**

- 3 & 10: Intent Sundays
- 3: Budget Informational Session
- 10: Congregational Meeting & Catered Gratitude Brunch (\*sign-up required\*)
- 10: Puppet Theater (in worship)
- 14: Community Meal (5 p.m.)
- 17: Bring a Friend to Church Day
- 24: Puppet Theater (in worship)

#### **December**

- 7: Women of Zion Advent Breakfast
- 7: Liederkranz Christmas Concert (4 p.m.)
- 8: Puppet Theater (in worship)
- 12: Community Meal (5 p.m.)
- 15: HHS Holiday Concert (2 p.m.)
- 22: Puppet Theater (in worship)
- 22: Christmas Trivia during SS hour

# BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS This Evening at 5:00 p.m.

ALL LEASHED PETS ARE WELCOME TO COME WITH THEIR OWNERS TO A BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS this evening in the Cooper House Backyard! Invite your neighborhood pets and their owners too!



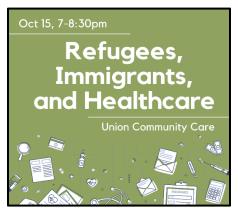
#### PARISH RESOURCE CENTER UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

- Disagreeing Better
  Tuesday, October 8
  7-8:30 p.m. at PRC
  - Led by Melissa Gizzi & Nita Landis (Co-chairs of the Braver Angels Lower Susquehanna Alliance)
  - Free; Registration required
- Refugees, Immigrants, & Healthcare Tuesday, October 15
   7-8:30 p.m. at PRC
  - Led by Kimberly Martin, Kristen Labizius, & Emily DiCola (Community Health Resource Coordinators at Union Community Care)
  - \$5; Registration required
- Creating Sacred Spaces Retreat Saturday, November 2
   9 a.m.-12p.m.
   at St. Thomas Episcopal Church (301 St. Thomas Rd., Lanc., 17601)
  - Led by Jean Lengacher, M.Div (in Christian Spiritual Formation & Spiritual Direction) & Reiki Master
  - \$55; Registration required

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER

https://connectprc.org/ 717-299-1113







### The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm www.lutherancamping.org

Fall 2024

# THIS AFTERNOON! Come out and join in the most epic Capture the Flag game around! All are welcome!



#### CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR

Sunday, October 6, 3-5:30pm KIRCHENWALD

Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance. Invite your friends and family (parents, too) to join you in this CTF summer reunion event. Play alongside familiar faces from your week at camp, plus campers from every other week of the summer. Campfire worship to follow. This is a free event, but please RSVP by September 27.



#### A NIGHT FOR NAWAKWA

Saturday, October 19, 5-9pm NAWAKWA Please join us for a night of fun and fundraising, celebrating Nawakwa's 95th Anniversary!

#### **PARTY WITH A PURPOSE**

October 5, 5-8pm KIRCHENWALD Southern Style BBQ with all the Fixins and Premium Spirits

#### **Your Price to Attend?**

Give us what you would pay for a dinner out at a nice restaurant, including tip ...at a really nice restaurant ...not fast food!

> 100% of all funds raised go to support programs at Camp Kirchenwald.

#### DINNER CHURCH

Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3 5pm

THE WITTEL FARM

The meal is the center of Christian worship. Everybody eats. Hunger must end. We gather to hear God's Word, pray, sing, connect, and share a meal. Please bring a dish to share. This year we are learning ecospiritualty and regenerative farming as restorative practices that heal the Earth and root us in love.



#### **FALL FOLIAGE DAYS**

Sunday, October 27, 1-6pm KIRCHENWALD & NAWAKWA

Bring your family and friends to camp for a fall afternoon! Enjoy some of your favorite camp activities. An evening meal will be provided. Please register by October 18.

Registration Fee: \$15 per person (4 & under free)

#### **QUILT AUCTION**

November 3 (Oct 26-31 Online Bidding)
NAWAKWA
2:00 Silent Auction
3:00 Live Auction
Dinner following Live Auction

All proceeds from the day benefit the Camping Corporation's Endowment Fund, making camping possible for generations to come! Please register for the in-person event by October 30. This is a free event, and includes an evening meal.



#### **ADVENT DAY APART**

December 7, 9am-2pm
THE WITTEL FARM
In the busyness and bustle of this season,
we invite you to take time for reflection,
contemplation, silence, and stillness. With
hope, we will spend some time enjoying the
outdoors, too. Please register by November 29.
Registration Fee: \$15





#### **WOMEN'S CRAFT RETREAT**

November 8-10
NAWAKWA
Projects are provided AND you may bring
your own to work on! Meals, lodging, and
most supplies provided. Please register
by November 1. Register early,
this retreat will fill up!
Registration Fee: \$180
(Arrive a day early for an additional \$42,
no additional meals included)



#### ADVENT/CHRISTMAS NIGHT IN THE BARN

December 22, 7-8:30pm
THE WITTEL FARM
Join us for an intimate evening of scripture,
hymns and songs, prayers and joyful music.
We gather in the barn around a manger for
this annual tradition, with candlelight, hot
cocoa and cookies.



# FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER

https://www.lutherancamping.org

# PRAYER LIST HEALING

**Bob Shirk** 

Sam King

Bill Grove

Joe Adams

Dave Wise

Deb Overly

Nancy Price

Dave Wauls

Jess Barcaro

Dolly Overly

Marvin Ruch

Kate Donnan

Holly Hoover

Barb Williams

Kay Crawford

Judie Ingersoll

Connie Alsedek

Kathryn Kochel

Tom Grzybowski

Mary Zimmerman

Wendy Gibbs (Friend of John Marrs)

Rick Nickel (Friend of Randy Miller)

Lissa James (Niece of Connie Alsedek)

Pat Herman (Mother of Amy Thompson)

Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)

Joanne Myers (Friend of Connie Alsedek)

Amy Jones (Neighbor of Bob & Judy Traup)

Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)

Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)

Rev. Pam & Ed Illick (Pastor at Zion (East Pete) & her husband)

James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson and nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)

COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Lucy Davis

George Potts

Thelma Pearson

Brooke Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)

Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)

Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

#### PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Chris Andrew

**Evan Benedict** 

Justin Gorlaski

Thom Whitesel

Christopher Wright

Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay; husband of Liz)

#### **WIDER CHURCH**

Konde Diocese

Masebe congregation

Pastor Subi Mwakitalima

James Dunlop (Bishop, LSS)

Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop, ELCA)

Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Bishop, Konde Diocese)

#### **CELEBRATING**

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

6<sup>th</sup>: Shane Symonds 9<sup>th</sup>: Phil Houseal 10<sup>th</sup>: Pat Landis

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

11<sup>th</sup>: Jim & Kim Paternoster 12<sup>th</sup>: Doug & Aarin Deibler

#### MINISTRY LEADERS

**Ministers** Members of the Congregation **Pastor** Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown Music Director John Landis Parish Administrator Anne Rankin Worship Technology Assistant David Albin Lay Ministry Assistant Diane Gerlach Council President Kim Paternoster Council Vice President Denise Haun Tom Miller Sexton

#### WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. Worship Livestream Link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy\_3AeK\_pExuVhcUfI2cSw Bible Study Class (Parlor) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)

Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266 Morning Bible Study Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.

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