THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

An Outdoor Service of Word & Sacrament September 4, 2022



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 85 E. Brandt Boulevard Landisville, PA

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

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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

\dagger THE GATHERING \dagger

INTRODUCTION

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

PRELUDE The Wonderful Cross/The Old Rugged Cross arr. C. Tornquist

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Merciful God,
- C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

- P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.
- C: Amen.

OPENING SONG

The Wonderful Cross

BB 13

 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Refrain

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live. O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross; All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name

> 3 Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small. Love so amazing so divine, Demands my soul my life my all. *Refrain*.

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. Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

Please be seated.

\dagger THE WORD \dagger

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Walk in the way of life and hold fast to God.

- A: ¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.
- A: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

Please read responsively.

They are like trees planted by streams of water.

- A: ¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- C: ²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

Philemon 1-21

Paul says: Receive Onesimus as a beloved brother.

A: ¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account.

¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

- A: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

MISSION MOMENT

We welcome COBYS Director of Development, Anne Stokes, and Donor Relations Manager, Steve Nichols, to Zion this morning to share about the mission and work of COBYS. This month the Joyful Noise Offering will go to this local organization.



Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Purify my Heart

BB 73

Purify my heart. Touch me with Your cleansing fire. Take me to the cross; Your holiness is my desire.

Breathe Your life in me. Kindle a love, that flows from Your throne. Oh, purify my heart, purify my heart.

Luke 14:25-33

Jesus says: Disciples, give up your possessions and carry the cross.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON



The Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown



"What God wants"

versus

"What self-centeredness wants"



Meals are the clearest reflection of your associations:

You are who you eat with.

Therefore, to choose a "meal network" outside of one's own family was to "hate" one's own family.







Please stand if you are able.

HYMN

As the Deer

 As the deer panteth for the water, So my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.

Refrain:

You alone are my strength, my shield; To You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.

- 2 You're my friend and You are my brother, Even though You are a King. I love You more than any other, So much more than anything. *Refrain*
 - 3 I want You more than gold or silver, Only You can satisfy. You alone are the real joy giver, And the apple of my eye. *Refrain*

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: As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation. We pray for the church around the world and for the mission of the gospel. Refresh the hearts of your people, deepen our understanding of every good thing we share, and strengthen our partnerships in the faith. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

For the well-being of the earth and all its creatures: for trees and forests, for all that will yield fruit this season, and for streams and other bodies of water. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and those in authority: for the elected leaders of our towns, states, and country, and for international organizations. Grant wisdom to those who govern and raise up citizens who make decisions in the best interest of their neighbors. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For all in need: for those who suffer from disease, who struggle with homelessness or food insecurity, for those whose family life is difficult, and for all in this community who need your care. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this community of faith: for all our labors—begun, continued, and ended in you—that they glorify your holy name. Bless your people with the strength to live into their many vocations for the sake of the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the saints who now rest from their labors. Give us faith, like them, to love you with all our hearts, and by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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

- P: Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; 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.

\dagger THE MEAL \dagger

SONG

Great is the Lord

BB 86

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, By His power we trust in His love.

Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true By His mercy he proves He is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory. Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord, Now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord! *Repeat*.

PRAYER

- A: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
- 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, our duty and our 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:
C: 0



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.
- C: We praise you, O God.
- P: Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
- C: We bless you, O God.
- P: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
- C: We thank you, O God.

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

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

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: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.
- P: Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
- 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 invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.
- 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 can by the tree at the end of the service.

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.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

† THE SENDING †

Please stand if you are able.

BLESSING

- P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C: Amen.

SENDING SONGS

We Bow Down

1 You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life, Lord of the land and the sea. You were Lord of the heavens before there was time, And Lord of all lords You will be.

Refrain 1: We bow down and we worship You, Lord. We bow down and we worship You, Lord. We bow down and we worship You, Lord. Lord of all lords You will be!

2 You are King of creation and King of my life, King of the land and the sea. You were King of the heavens before there was time, And King of all kings You will be.

Refrain 2: We bow down and we crown You the King. We bow down and we crown You the King. We bow down and we crown You the King. King of all kings You will be! (Repeat Refrain 2)

May You Run and Not Be Weary

BB 126

May you run and not be weary. May your heart be filled with song. And may the love of God continue To give you hope and keep you strong. And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy. And may the road you travel always lead you home. *Repeat*.

DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, September 4 – Outdoor Worship

* The flowers, bulletin, & communion elements are sponsored by Bob & Cathy Shirk in celebration of their anniversary which was on September 1. In-Person Outdoor Worship – 9:00 a.m.

No Livestream/Recorded Worship No Adult Sunday School

Monday, September 5 – Labor Day

Food Pantry Closed Office Closed

Tuesday, September 6

Bible Study – 9 - 10:30 a.m. (Parlor) Finance – 6:30 p.m. (*Note date change from monthly calendar*) W&M –7 p.m. (*Note date change from monthly calendar*)

Wednesday, September 7

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

Thursday, September 8

Community Meal – 5:30 p.m. (Drive-Thru) Choir – 6 p.m.

Friday, September 9

Saturday, September 10

Sunday, September 11

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. Livestream/Recorded Worship – 9:00 a.m. Link: <u>http://bit.ly/Zion_Live</u> Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, GOD-SIGHTINGS, UPDATES, & EVENTS



Mark your calendars for Rally Day 2022 on Sunday, September 18 during and after the service! Come and see how God has led Zion from 1909 to the present.

Remember the past! Celebrate the present! Plan for the future! In the parlor there will be pictures and memorabilia of Zion through the years. There will be a continental breakfast

buffet after worship. Breakfast may be eaten in the courtyard or in the Zone where Pastor Dione will lead an interactive session to learn about Zion through the decades. Please plan to be there! Come and see just where we have been and where we could go!

CHOIR REHEARSALS WILL BEGIN THIS WEEK

Calling all returning and new choir members! Rehearsals will begin on Thursday (9/8) at 6 p.m. If you have questions contact John (johnplandis@gmail.com or 717-875-6182.

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 a.m.

In the Parlor...There will be no class today due to the service being held outdoors. Next Sunday, September 11, the class will begin a study focusing on the book of Romans. There will be no class on September 18 because of the Rally Day festivities following worship. In the Zone...The Wired Word Class will begin to meet again on September 25. A Zoom option for this class will begin in October.

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING

Beginning today, the Joyful Noise offering will go to COBYS Family Services. COBYS provides foster care, adoption,

counseling, family life education, and permanency services for children and families at risk in Lancaster County and surrounding areas. For more information, visit: https://cobys.org/.



...From Ted & Kim Symonds

Thank you so much for your calls, cards, and visits after John's passing. Your concern and prayers were a great comfort to us. ...From Anchor Lancaster

Thank you for your recent Joyful Noise donation of \$86, which will go directly to providing meals and showers for all who come to our door each weekday morning. We thank you for

choosing Anchor Lancaster as the recipient of this wonderful outreach offering!





TRANSPORTATION

If you are in need of transportation to medical appointments or to any of our services, please contact Judy Traup (traup201@comcast.net or 717-898-0625).





TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to come to the Tuesday morning Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. The study will follow the lectionary readings in preparation for the upcoming Sunday's lessons. Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

REVITALIZATION UPDATE FROM DAVE WISE

"Come and see (what God has done, his awesome deeds for mankind!)" [Psalm 66:5 NIV]

"'Come and see," [John 1:39a NLT] (Jesus to John the Baptist's disciples)

"'Come and see,' said Philip". [John 1:46b RSV] (Philip to Nathanael)

"'Come and see.....'" [John 4:29a NLT] (Samaritan woman to her neighbors)

While this verse from Psalms and these three scriptures from the Gospel of John are taken out of context, they all share the same common theme: "**Come and see**", which is an invitation, as in Psalm 66, an invitation to come and witness all the wonderful things God has done.... and is still doing. Or in John 1:39, where Jesus is extending an invitation to follow him. Or in John 1:46 and 4:29 where those who have encountered Jesus invite others to come and see His works, hear His word and experience His love.

In his temple talk last month, Al Ramer reminded us that a second goal of the ReVITALization initiative was to reach out to members who have decreased or discontinued their attendance. In addition, part of the initiative was to reach out to those



who have not yet returned for worship and/or fellowship. We have also been encouraged to invite neighbors, friends, strangers, and those who are lost (or not sure *what* they are looking for) to join us. *Let's achieve that goal by extending the invitation*. Reach out to these folks by saying, "Come and see!" - come and see what's happening at Zion in worship, in music, in Bible study, in outreach, in fellowship among its body of believers...and in many other ways. *Come and see!*



PRAYER LIST

The Thursday Community Meals will resume <u>this</u> <u>Thursday</u>! Like last year, the meal will continue to be held in a drive-thru format beginning at 5:30 p.m. If you have questions or would be interested in helping out, contact Mary Hetrick (717-898-3162 or (psuocn92@comcast.net).

It is time to update the Prayer List! If you – or someone you know – is listed and can be taken off, please contact Pastor Tim or Anne (adminzelc@comcast.net). Recognizing that we all can use prayer all the time, the purpose of this list is for those who are experiencing a current health crisis or life circumstance when extra prayers are especially helpful and appreciated. Please know that if you are removed, it does not mean that you can't be added again in the future. In addition, if you or someone is taken off and extra prayers are still desired, please let us know that and we will put you back on.



Thanks to everyone who assembled kits last Sunday! You were so enthusiastic! We now have 51 completed and on the windowsills in the nave. You can continue to bring in more supplies throughout September. There will be another opportunity to assemble them before we pack them in cartons for shipping.

Throughout the month of September, we will be

collecting money to help offset the cost of shipping both the care kits and the comforters that the Comforter Ministry has made over the last year. LWR's approximate cost to deliver comforters and kits overseas is \$2.25 for a comforter and \$2.65 for a care kit. If you would like to contribute to the mailing of these items, please make your check to <u>Zion</u> <u>Lutheran Church</u> and write <u>LWR shipping</u> in memo line.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

If you were not in worship last Sunday and did not get a September calendar, there are copies available on the ushers' table by the Sanctuary entrance. It was also sent out electronically this past week.

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

The September/October/November devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table. Help yourself...take one for a friend!

CROP WALK REGISTRATION LINK & UPDATE FROM RANDY MILLER



Now is the time to register for this year's CROP Walk on October 16!

We hope to have a good number of people on Team Zion this year to participate in the 2022 CROP Hunger Walk. This Walk supports Church World Service and helps families who are struggling with hunger. Please join us - with your steps and your donations - to provide more meals for the growing number of people in Lancaster County who need them, and create greater food security in communities around the world.

This year's walk will be held on October 16th. Invite your friends and neighbors! We set a goal of raising \$250, but it would be wonderful if we could exceed that amount. The registration link is:

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/zion-lutheran-church-landisville.

PICNIC IN THE PARK – September 29

The final Picnic in the Park this season will be on Thursday, September 29 at 11:30 at the Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion. All are welcome to come for this time of food and fellowship!

ZION, THRIVENT, AND OTHER T-SHIRTS



Do you want a new t-shirt? Check out the display on the table across from the coffee table. There still are several sizes and styles for both adults and children. Help yourself! They will be out through Rally Day, Sept. 18; whatever isn't taken will be donated..

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Zion contributed 33 pounds of food in July! The pantry served 135 families in July which included:144 children, 251 adults, 102 seniors. Many families and individuals come to the pantry every week...the total people fed for July was 1,269 and 38 volunteers from the community contributed 492 hours for the month! Items requested for September are:

Canned vegetable soup Canned potatoes Mac/cheese And **always cereal**

Ramen noodles Large peanut butter Penne pasta Canned carrots Large jelly Egg noodles

END OF SUMMER PICNIC

Mark your calendar for an End of Summer Potluck Picnic on Tuesday, September 20 from 4-7:30 p.m. at Lake Grubb Nature Park (Hempfield Hill Rd., West Hempfield). This gathering, sponsored by the Men of Zion, is for the entire church and friends of the church. Stay tuned for more details about what you can bring to share with others! Questions? Contact Dave Dumeyer (davedumeyer@gmail.com or 717-413-0408).

NOTES TO ZION ...From Brenda Alimo

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

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

Thank so much for loving me and always supporting me. You have made me who I am today. I am attending one of the best schools in my district. I am currently at school. My teachers are so supportive. I believe I will do well and pass my final examinations. My family is busy weeding crops like maize, millet, beans, and ground nuts. We hope to get a good harvest.

Thank you so much for the prayers you send to me. I also pray you are strong and have faith in the Lord. Even at school every Sunday and every evening we say the prayer as a group together with our teachers. Thank you so much for the love and care that you have shown me and my family. We love you so much. You have a special place in our hearts.

Send greetings to all your family members and tell them I love them so much.

All from Brenda Alimo, your sponsored child

... From the Hempfield Woman's Club

After 57 years, the Hempfield Woman's Club is dissolving. As one of our last contributions to the community, we would like to present a check in the amount of \$300 to your church. Thank you for all you do to help the Hempfield community.



FLOWER & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP OPEN DATES

Please consider signing up to sponsor the flowers or bulletins! In September, the 11th is open for flowers and the 18th is open for bulletins. There are additional dates throughout the fall that are also open. Check out the sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Cost is \$40.

MONTHLY MESSAGE FROM ADELE KING, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

As a part of our Covenant for Renewal, a brief monthly report from leadership will be provided. The various ministry teams have been busy during these summer months.

- <u>The Personnel Team</u> has been hearing performance updates on our employees. Lynda Sherwood has taken over the leadership role on this team from Sue Wise; Sue will remain on this team.
- <u>The Property Team</u> had their hands full with storm clean-up and getting the playground equipment taken away. Many thanks to those who helped make the back corner of the church look so much better! Brick pointing on the original church and in the bell tower is finally going to begin.
- <u>The ReVITALization Team</u> is still accepting hearts to thank people for their acts of service.
- <u>The Worship and Music Team</u> would like to announce two upcoming concerts: the Liederkranz Holiday Concert on December 3rd and the Hempfield Choir on December 18th. We continue to look at ways to make worship be "back to normal" as our pandemic procedures ease. Choir rehearsals begin again on September 8th!
- <u>The Care/Fellowship Team</u> is busy making kits, praying, picnicking, knitting and transporting. They want you to know that medical equipment is available for use by members and that you can call the office if you have a need. In addition, they are setting up events for our Rally Day on Sept. 18.
- <u>The Social Outreach Team</u> continues to collect money for worthwhile organizations and is looking forward to participating in the Crop Walk again in October.
- <u>The Finance Team</u> has decided to outsource our payroll processing.
- <u>The Executive Team</u>, with the help of the Council Secretary and Parish Administrator, will work on updating the Constitution and Bylaws.
- We are all joyous about having our new pastor !!



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- Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism by Drew G.I. Hart
- If you haven't been part of a conversation on racism, we recommend reading this first: *Anxious to Talk About It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully About Racism* by Carolyn B. Helsel
- If you're looking to dive deeper, we recommend: White Rage: The Unspoken Truth About our Racial Divide by Carol Anderson



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FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma PearsonLucy DavisBettDeb McCartneyGeorge PottsRichJess, Matt, & Grant BarcaroRuthArlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)Dorothy Mattern (Mother of Denise Haun)Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer

Betty Stoner Arlene Miller Richard & Marilyn Heim Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)

Joe Adams

Joan Mays

Kate Donnan

Chase Pipkin

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Evan BenedictChristopher WrightChris AndrewThom WhiteselRyan StitzelDoug KautterJustin GorlaskiTyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)How State (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 4 Alison Long
- 6 Katharine Donnan
- 7 Justin Propst

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

5 – Todd & Cathy Benedict

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 Adele King Dave Dumeyer Brian Bourassa (a.m.) Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship Livestream & Recorded Link Sunday Scholars Class (Parlor) Wired Word Class (Zone)

Church Office Pastor Parish Administrator Council President Office Email Pastor Email Council President Email Music Director Email Website Facebook Church Address Office Address

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. http://bit.ly/Zion_Live Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (except today & 9/18) Will Resume on September 25 Zoom Option will begin in October 717-898-2911 717-332-4216 717-945-4585 610-247-1497 adminzelc@comcast.net zion1517pastor@gmail.com adelel3@aol.com zionlandisvillemusic@gmail.com www.zionhempfield.net Zion Lutheran Hempfield 85 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538 75 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538

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