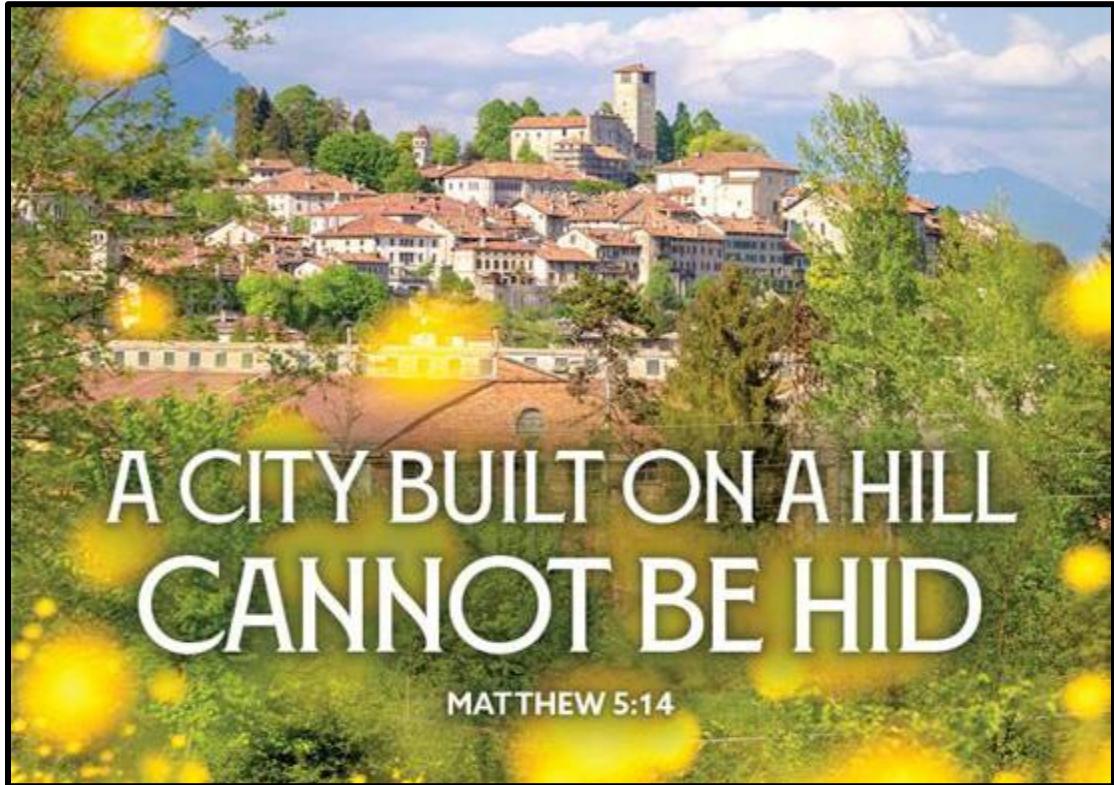


Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

A Service of Word & Sacrament

February 8, 2026



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
85 E. Brandt Boulevard
Landisville, PA

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning! The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). Please note that those who are remembered in the liturgical calendar are included in the Prayers of the Faithful. 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: If you are unable to worship in-person, the service is live-streamed and can be viewed on the church YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw

SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION

- ❖ Restrooms are available by the front entrance of the church in the narthex and in the hallway off the back door. Infant changing tables can be found in the women's and men's bathrooms in the hallway off the back door.
- ❖ Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. There are bags located at the back of the sanctuary with quiet worship activities and goodies to take home. Kids of all ages are invited to come forward for the Children's Chat. After the Children's Chat, all children are welcome to leave the service to attend Sunday School. Currently, nursery care is not available but you may use the nursery room or the parlor as a calming room while also still being able to listen to the service.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating, assist with other matters, and to answer questions.



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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

P: Keep the Main Thing,

C: the Main Thing!

Why was God displeased with the people's worship? Isaiah says
because their worship stopped at rituals.

They fasted,
but ignored the hungry.

They prayed,
but oppressed others.

God desired justice, mercy, and lives
that matched their prayers.

Why was God pleased with the people in the Psalm?
Because their faith bore fruit. They delighted in God's way and lived generously and justly. Their trust made them light in the darkness.

What is the central message for Paul this morning?
Christ crucified. Not human wisdom, but God's power revealed in weakness and made known by the Spirit.

How does Jesus fulfill what God desires?
He embodies what God wants. He fulfills the law through love, a righteousness deeper than rules.

And notice this: this is not about earning blessing.
It's about God going first.

In baptism, God names us beloved
before we do anything.

Loved people,
love people.

Blessed people,
bless people.

Remember: we are sent into the world to embody what God desires – to keep the Main Thing
the Main Thing.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Please stand if you are able.

CONFSSION 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, \dagger one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C: **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Might God, lover of justice,
you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ⁺ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In

ELW 532



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the
Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,





we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God



¶ Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



¶ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



¶ Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.



II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

ISAIAH 58:1-12

While this section of Isaiah opens (in chapter 40) with the comforting words that Israel's exile is coming to an end, the nation soon fell back into its old pattern of giving only lip service to the God who rescued them, being ritually picayune and socially apathetic.

A: ¹ Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. ³ “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. ⁴ You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin?⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. 9a Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.” ^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail.¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112:1-10

Please read responsively.

Like the first reading, this psalm proclaims the obligation and delight of echoing God's covenant love in daily, even economic, life.

A: ¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God's commandments!

² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴ Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶ For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

⁸ Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-16

Since Paul's founding visit, some members of the Corinthian church had been misled by traveling prophets, who convinced them that they could pass "secrets" on to them which were only appropriate for the "mature in faith," and hidden from other Christians, who were "less spiritual." Paul will counter this with the foolishness of the cross and the unity and inter-dependence of the whole community.

A: ¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³ And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴ Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶ "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

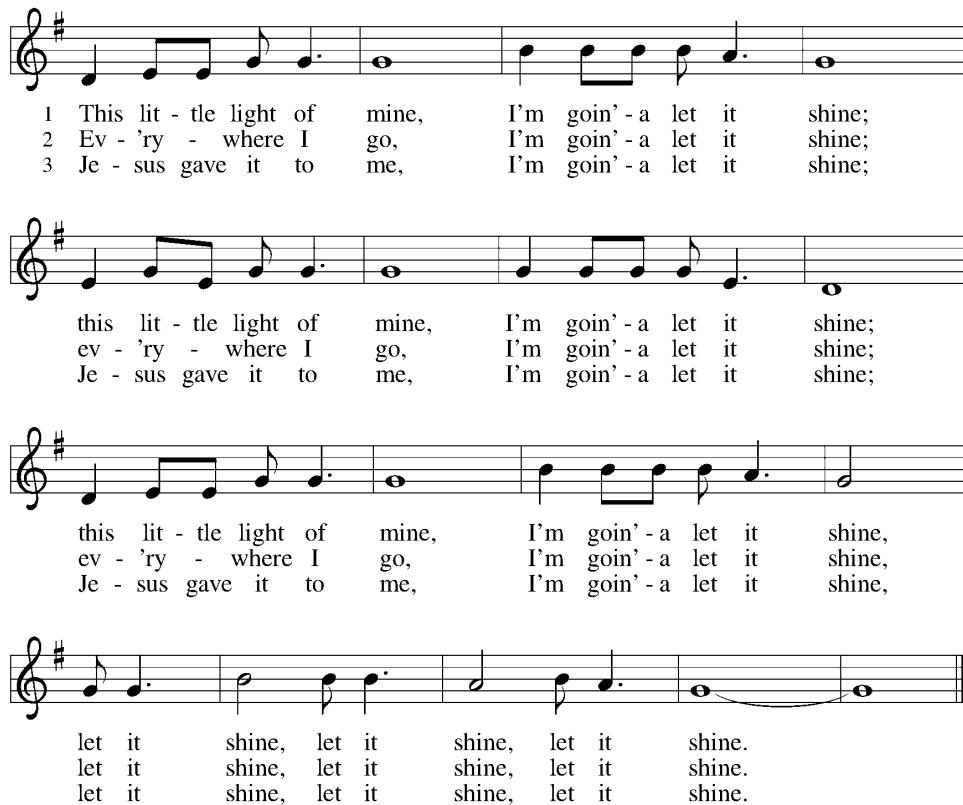
C: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S CHAT & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677



1. This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2. Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3. Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine,

Text: African American spiritual
Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

MATTHEW 5:13-20

This passage forms part of the Sermon on the Mount, and immediately follows the Beatitudes. It continues to describe the community gathered by Christ around the Good News.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

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

P: Jesus said: ¹³ “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown

In 2013, British mothers were asked more questions per hour than Prime Minister David Cameron (23 versus 22)

They are asked more questions than primary school teachers (19/hour), doctors, or nurses (18/hour)

Four-year-old British girls were the most inquisitive, asking around 390 questions/day (one question every 1 minute and 56 seconds)

The average British mother faced questions from 7:19am to 7:59pm, roughly one question every 2 minutes and 36 seconds.

What does God want?



Please stand if you are able.

SERMON HYMN

Lord of Light

ELW 688

1 Lord of light, your name out - shin - ing all the stars and
 2 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers in some far out -
 3 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - crea - sing, at your feet may
 4 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, nev - er si - lent

suns of space, use our tal - ents in your king - dom
 ly - ing field, by the cour - age where the ra - diance
 low - ly kneel; with your grace our tri - umphs hal - low,
 day or night; by the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing

as the ser - vants of your grace; use us to ful -
 of the cross is still re - vealed, by the vic - to -
 with your char - i - ty our zeal; lift the na - tions
 peace to all and heal - ing light; by the love that

fill your pur - pose in the gift of Christ your Son.
 ries of meek - ness, through re - proach and suf - f'ring won:
 from the shad - ows to the glad - ness of the sun:
 pass - es knowl - edge, mak - ing all your chil - dren one:



Refrain

Fa - ther, as in high - est heav-en, so on earth your will be done.

Text: Howell E. Lewis, 1860–1953, alt.

Music: ABBOTS LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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NICENE CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

C: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.* With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ELW note: “and the Son” reflects the Western tradition.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

P: As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us lift our hearts in prayer for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence

God of mercy, your global church ministers in many ways. Keep the baptized attuned to the mind of Christ, always seeking your desire so that our witness brings hope. We pray for Bishop Stephen Herr (Lower Susquehanna Synod), Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America), and Bishop Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Konde Diocese). Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of creation, your marvelous handiwork cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and waters, including the Susquehanna River Watershed, to wholeness. Protect honeybees, elephants, great whales, and songbirds from harm, and renew the face of the earth. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of peace, we witness so much suffering and violence. Help us not to harden our hearts, but to be moved to respond with courage and love. Guide our elected leaders to govern with compassion, and bring peace to Gaza, South Sudan, Ukraine, Iran, Venezuela, and the streets of the United States, including Minneapolis. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of justice, as the prophet Isaiah calls us, loosen the bonds of injustice, feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, and restore the broken, that your light and healing may spring forth in our world. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of compassion, your blessings flow toward all in need. Help and heal those who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving, especially those we name from Zion's prayer list. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of guidance, your wisdom shapes this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our council – Kim Paternoster, Denise Haun, Darrell Gerke, Dave Wauls, Jim Grube, Dave Dumeyer, and Randy Miller – and form all at Zion to offer their gifts for the upbuilding of the congregation. Help us be salt and light for our neighbors, following Christ in word and deed. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of saints, your faithful ones rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith – Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop, missionaries to the Slavs; Saint Valentine, who lived in love and courage – trusting that we, too, will be embraced by your eternal love. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit hears our prayers and answers in God's time, we commend all for whom we pray to your loving-kindness, made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

† **THE MEAL** †

PRAYER

A: Let us pray. God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: **Amen.**

EUCARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, 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: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament. Those who do not or choose not to partake of the sacrament may receive a blessing.

For those not able to have red wine, there is grape juice in the outer circle of every tray. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When given the bread and cup, the communion ministers will say: "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you," to which you may respond: "Amen."

Please use this time for quiet reflection or song until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.

COMMUNION SONGS

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Lord Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW 712



1 Lord, whose love in hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing light
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer - cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great - ness dawns up - on our quick - ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good - will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.



Let Justice Flow Like Streams

ELW 717

1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spar - kling wa - ter, pure,
2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,

en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed.
and jus - tice, right, and peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

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Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731-1776
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Please stand if you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise † bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

ELW 808

1 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;
 1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
 2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 3 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant,
 4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my jour - ney;

Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
 I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
 May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
 to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
 but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.

car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
 you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love.
 May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
 For you saved me by giv - ing your bod - y and blood.
 And with all of the fam - 'ly you saved by your love,"



Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - - te.
 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - - ney.
 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - - ney.
 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - - vant.
 we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our jour - - ney.

Text: Les Petites Soeurs de Jésus and L'Arche Community; tr. Stephen Somerville, b. 1931
 Music: LES PETITES SOEURS, Les Petites Soeurs de Jésus and L'Arche Community
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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

NEXT SUNDAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY!

*We will welcome scouts and leaders of
Cub Scout Pack 37 to worship!*

Following the service, you are invited to a
Thank You Breakfast in the social room hosted by
the scouts.

This is a way they want to express gratitude to Zion
for the use of the church for their meetings and for
the partnership since at least 1980 – almost 50 years!

*(And, it may actually be almost 70 years, although the documentation isn't
in the file to know for sure ... either way, it's still a longtime connection!)*

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, February 8 – *Super Bowl Sunday (Wear your favorite team colors to church!)*

* *The altar flowers are sponsored by Cathy and Todd Benedict in celebration of Evan's birthday which was on February 4.*

* *The yellow rosebud is in honor of Mary Ann Cupach's 94th birthday on February 14!*

* *The communion elements are sponsored by Lisa Nelson for family birthdays and memorials in February.*

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

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw

Children's Sunday School – Kids are excused after the Children's Chat

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class – Parlor

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

Monday, February 9

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, February 10

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Generosity Team – 10:15 a.m.

Scouts – 6 p.m. (Social Room & Classrooms)

Finance – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 11

Food Pantry – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Social Outreach – 6 p.m. (HotZ)

Zion Arts – 7 p.m. (Marrs Home)

Thursday, February 12

Community Meal – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

Choir – 6 p.m.

Friday, February 13

Saturday, February 14

Men's Breakfast – 8 a.m. (Centerville Diner 2; Main St., Mount Joy)

Sunday, February 15 – *Scout Sunday*

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

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfl2cSw

Children's Sunday School – Kids are excused after the Children's Chat

All Church Breakfast Served by the Scouts – Following Worship

No Adult Sunday School (Enjoy the breakfast instead!)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Our Daily Bread and Christ in Our Homes devotionals can be found on the ushers' table and on the window sill ledge in the back hallway across from the choir room. The January-March Christ in Our Homes booklet is now available. Help yourself!

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING: FEBRUARY

Through February, this social outreach special collection will go to the Hempfield Area Food Pantry.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children are invited to go with their teachers after the Children's Chat for Sunday School. Class will be held each Sunday at this time during the service.

BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. in the parlor and focuses on the scriptures and their related topics. Everyone is welcome – come discover the message God has for each of us!

JOURNEYS: A GROUP TO SUPPORT WELLNESS

Journeys will continue to meet in 2026 on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the parlor: February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19.

WINTER BASKETBALL AT PSU: OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS & FRIENDS



Zion's Men's Group has tickets to the PSU basketball game on **Sat., Feb. 28** at 12 Noon at the Bryce Jordan Center at Penn State University. There are tickets for 20 seats – first come, first served! Ticket price is \$10/person.



If you are interested in carpooling, meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. This will give us enough time to stop en route. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those who wish to attend. This has become an annual event and we hope that you will join us! Questions? See Dave Dumeyer or John Marrs.

ONLINE GIVING

Interested in online giving? The link is on the homepage of the church website, or go directly: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZM24/home>

2026 FLOWER, BULLETIN, AND COMMUNION ELEMENTS SPONSORS

The sign-up sheets for all three of these sponsorship opportunities are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex across from the mailboxes. Cost is \$40 for flowers, \$40 for bulletins, and \$35 for communion elements. You can pay online using the new VANCO giving site (<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZM24/home>).

SUPER BOWL FOR CARING: TODAY!

The biggest game of the year is THIS EVENING, and we have had a winning drive toward it over the last several weeks! We've had our own playoffs here at Zion as we have collected food and monetary donations for the pantry. Today is the last to give donations to the pantry that will also show your support for whichever team you hope will win the game! The goal is 500 items and \$500, but whatever amount is contributed is game-worthy as it will benefit those in need nonetheless.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

All men are invited to breakfast on the second Saturday of each month at 8 a.m.! Sign up on the bulletin board!

NEXT GATHERING: This Saturday: Feb. 14 at Centerville Diner 2

Questions or want to get more involved? Contact Dave D. (davedumeyer@gmail.com)

THANK YOU



FROM AL & CONNIE ALSEDEK

Dear Zion, Many thanks to our wonderful church family for the altar flowers, poinsettia, the many cards, and for continuing to keep us in your prayers.

94

Happy Birthday

A large, stylized number "94" is centered on a blue background. Behind it is a colorful illustration of a birthday cake with numerous lit candles of various colors (red, yellow, blue, green) and a cluster of balloons in the background.

***Mary Ann Cupach will be 94
on February 14!***

Help bring Mary Ann birthday joy!

*Cards can be sent to her at:
c/o Kadina Physical Rehab
125 S. Broad St., Lititz 17543*

ASH WEDNESDAY

Join us for worship on Ash Wednesday

February 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

*Service will include communion and
Imposition of Ashes*

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

**Lenten Fellowship with Scripture, Prayer, Song, and
Conversation Around Our Questions**

WHEN

February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, and March 25 at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE

Social Room



WHAT

Simple Soup and Bread

And... Rich conversation, scripture, prayer, and song

WHY

Our time together is sacred. Each disciple of Jesus at Zion is made in the image of God. We will seek to create a space where curiosity is welcomed, questions are honored, and patterns in conversation are noticed. By listening deeply, we will model for others—especially younger generations—that it is safe to ask and wonder about faith and life.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Join us for worship throughout Holy Week

Palm/Passion Sunday: March 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship: April 2 at 7 p.m.

Good Friday Worship: April 3 at 7 p.m.

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of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/>

Lutheran Camping Corporation

PARENTS GROUP AT NAWAKWA

Whether you are a parent with older or younger kids, you are invited to find a community and talk about the joys and struggles of parenting. Find a community that can lift you up and remind you of the blessings of parenting through the journey.

COME ON YOUR OWN

**COME WITH YOUR
SPOUSE**

COME WITH YOUR KIDS

COME WITH A FRIEND

Details

First Saturday of the month at Nawakwa's Lower Camp Dining Hall

10-12 children activities provided
12-1pm lunch provided

Optional \$15 donation per family

**NEXT
GATHERING**

Saturday, March 7

WINTER FUN DAY AT KIRCHENWALD

**Sunday, February 15
1:00-5:00 p.m.**

RSVP 717-677-8211

Bring your family or neighbors and enjoy an afternoon on Kirchenwald's award-winning toboggan run or have fun ice-skating on the lake. There will also be hot chocolate in the lodge!



TUESDAY MORNING WORK DAYS AT NAWAKWA

Join Paul Askey, our property manager, in assisting with work around Nawakwa on the first Tuesday of each month. Work is anything from maintaining our trails to hanging pictures/plaques.

Nawakwa is a large property, and your help will not only help us maintain our property and buildings but make them better.

Your hands, God's work.

Start time is 9 a.m. Meet in the camp office. End time is flexible with your personal schedule.

There will be coffee and donuts!



UPDATED FOOD PANTRY LIST OF REQUESTED ITEMS

*Spaghetti	*Spaghetti sauce	*Strawberry jelly	*Canned peaches
*Canned red beets	*Canned peaches	*Canned pears	*Canned mixed fruit
*Cereal	*Elbow pasta	*Canned mixed vegetables	
*Canned vegetable soup		*Canned cream of chicken soup	
*Canned mandarin oranges		*2-lb bags white rice	
<i>*No corn; No greens; No glass jars</i>			

CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Worship: Every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

FEBRUARY

- 8: Super-Souper Bowl Sunday (Wear your favorite team colors to worship!)
- 12: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 14: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Centerville Diner 2 (Main St., Mount Joy)
- 15: Scout Sunday
- 15: All-Church Thank You Breakfast after Worship (Sponsored by the Cub Scouts)
- 17: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)
- 18: Ash Wednesday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)
- 25: Midweek Lenten Soup, Fellowship, & Service (6 p.m.)
- 26: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 28: PSU Basketball Game Outing (Depart Zion @ 8:30; Game begins at 12 Noon)

MARCH

- 4: Midweek Lenten Soup, Fellowship, & Service (6 p.m.)
- 11: Midweek Lenten Soup, Fellowship, & Service (6 p.m.)
- 12: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 14: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)
- 15: Elizabethtown College Choir Performance (During Worship)
- 17: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)
- 18: Midweek Lenten Soup, Fellowship, & Service (6 p.m.)
- 21: Social Room Reserved
- 25: Midweek Lenten Soup, Fellowship, & Service (6 p.m.)
- 26: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 27: Pinewood Derby Set-up (Tentative) (Social Room reserved)
- 28: Pinewood Derby (Tentative) (Social Room reserved all day)
- 29: Palm/Passion Sunday Worship (9 a.m.)

APRIL

- 2: Maundy Thursday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)
- 3: Good Friday Worship (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)
- 5: Easter Sunday Worship (9 a.m.; Sanctuary)
- 9: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 11: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)
- 21: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)
- 23: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

MAY

- 2: Lancaster Liederkrantz Concert (4 p.m.; Sanctuary)
- 9: Men's Breakfast (8 a.m.; Restaurant TBD)
- 14: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)
- 14: Landisville Area Church Choir Festival (7 p.m.; Sanctuary)
- 19: Journeys Wellness Group (6:30 p.m.; Parlor)
- 28: Bring Your Own Lunch Picnic (11:30 a.m.; A. Herr Park)
- 28: Community Meal (5 p.m.; Social Room)

PRAYER LIST

HEALING

Joan & Burnell Hostetter	Joan Mays	Janet Musselman	Jess Barcaro
Al & Connie Alsedek	Kathryn Kochel	Kay Crawford	John Gerlach
Bill & Julia Grove	Holly Hoover	Deb Overly	Dave Wise
Tom Grzybowski	Bob Shirk	Sam King	Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll	Barb Williams	Dave Wauls	
Sandy Marrs (Mother of John Marrs)		Tina Weigner (Friend of Adele King)	
Lissa James (Niece of Connie Alsedek)		Jack Taylor (Son of Deb Grube's niece)	Fred
Boyle (Friend of Bob & Judy Traup)	Arabelle Page (Student of Amy Thompson)		
Joanne Myers (Friend of Connie Alsedek)	Bob Hobaugh (Friend of Deb & Rick Long)		
Dennis Barcaro (Jess Barcaro's father-in-law)			
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)			
Angie Immel (Step-Granddaughter of Bob & Judy Traup)			
Zac & Cindy Zibura (Neighbor of John & Joanne Marrs)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			
Kara Escalante (Goddaughter of Barb & Tom Williams)			
James Marks (Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)			

COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

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

PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Doug Kautter	Chris Andrew	Evan Benedict	Justin Gorlaski
Christopher Wright	Thom Whitesel		
Benjamin Hansen (Grandson of Al & Connie Alsedek and son of Holly)			
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay; husband of Liz)			

WIDER CHURCH

Masebe congregation	Konde Diocese	Stephen Herr (Bishop, LSS)	Pastor
Subi Mwakitalima	Pastor Lucille ("CeCee") Mills (Secretary, ELCA)		
Yehiel Curry (Presiding Bishop, ELCA)			
Geoffrey Samuel Mwaihaba (Bishop, Konde Diocese)			
Imran M. Siddiqui (Vice President of the ELCA)			

CELEBRATING & REMEMBERING

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

13th: Olivia Ramer 14th: Mary Ann Cupach

CONDOLENCES to Dave Aulenbach as he grieves the death of his wife Elaine. Cards may be sent to him at home: *1398 James Way, Mount Joy, PA 17552*

MINISTRY LEADERS

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

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

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream Link: https://www.youtube.com/@zelc_landisvillepa7249
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>
Children's Class Sundays: Start in service, then excused until communion
Morning Bible Study Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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