

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 20, 2020



*Connecting with God
Connecting with others
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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
85 East Brandt Boulevard
Landisville, PA 17538

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. In accordance with the recommended guidelines, paper bulletins are not available; however, bulletins have been mailed either by e-mail or regular mail. An overhead of the worship service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. It contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending) used within the service. Should you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with the pastor.

ABOUT THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST. This season is also called *Ordinary Time*. This season begins the day after Pentecost, ends on Christ the King Sunday, and includes All Saints Day and Thanksgiving. The gospel lessons throughout this season cover Jesus' teaching ministry.

FOR YOUR SAFETY, please social distance at all times and sanitize your hands using the hand sanitizer units located on the walls in the hallways, Zone, and Social Room.

MASKS MUST BE WORN by all worship participants except as follows:

- ❖ Adults with medical respiratory issues or other medical issues are exempt from wearing a mask if it interferes with their breathing.
- ❖ Any child who cannot wear a face covering due to a medical condition, including those with respiratory issues that impede breathing, a mental health condition, a disability, and children who are unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
- ❖ Children under 2 years of age.

NO-TOUCH TEMPERATURE SCREENING is required by all worship participants prior to entering the sanctuary.

THE ONLY RESTROOMS available for use are the ones across from the Food Pantry in the back hallway. Only one individual at a time may be in each restroom. Please follow the signs on the restroom doors.

HEARING AID DEVICES are available on the table in the entrance hall.

CHILDREN are welcome as active participants in the worship service. In-church Sunday School will not be available until it is determined safe to do so.

USHERS are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to the offering plates and seating.

United in Christ, we are called to love and serve.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Service of the Word



P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Prelude on 'I Come with Joy'*

M. Corl

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

C: **Amen.**

THE 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: Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

FIRST READING

Jonah 3:10-4:11

After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but shouldn't I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites?

A: A reading from Jonah:

¹⁰When God saw what the people of Ninevah did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and He did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:21-30

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

A: A reading from Philippians:

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 20th chapter.

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

P: Jesus said to the disciples: ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

SERMON

Pastor David Klepper

SPECIAL MUSIC

As the Deer

M. Nystrom, arr. by D. Nevue

Please stand if you are able.

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

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

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE (No-Touch)



P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

With your hands in the prayer position, slightly bow your head toward people around you.

Please be seated.

† THE MEAL †

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SETTING OF THE TABLE

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care, and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Preface

P: It is indeed right and our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn with these words:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 in 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 in remembrance of me.*

P: Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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: All who are hungry, are invited to eat the bread of life. All who are thirsty, are invited to drink the cup of salvation.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

The congregation opens the wafer packet.

P: The body of Christ given for you.

C: **Amen.**

The congregation opens the cup.

P: The blood of Christ shed for you.

C: **Amen.**



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

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. We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us out to spread the love of Christ. We pray in the name of Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: May the love of the Father, the tenderness of the † Son, and the presence of the Spirit, gladden your heart and bring peace to your soul this day and all days. Amen.

DISMISSAL

P: United in Christ, we are called to love and serve. Now go in peace and live it out!

POSTLUDE

Be Thou My Vision

Setting by H. Hopson

Please maintain social distancing while exiting the sanctuary through the doors by the baptismal font.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES

WELCOME PASTOR KLEPPER

Pastor Klepper will be filling in as the supply pastor through October 4. We are grateful to have Pastor Klepper lead worship at Zion during this time of transition.

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSOR

The flowers this morning are sponsored by Jeanette Bomberger in honor of her sons' Matthew's & Philip's birthdays.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

If you plan to attend in-person worship, please call or text Anne Rankin (717-945-4585) to reserve seating. There are 2 service times offered: 8:30 and 11:00. Seating has been established based on social gathering rules which require people to maintain 6 feet apart and to wear masks. The service will be a simple service with no singing. If you have any questions about Zion's in-person worship, please email adminzelc@comcast.net.

GIVING OPTIONS

If you chose to worship in-person, you are welcome to bring your offering and place it in one of the plates – either as you enter the Sanctuary or as you exit. If you are not coming to worship in-person, you may continue to send in your offerings to the church (85 E. Brandt Blvd., Landisville, PA), put it in the mail slot on the front door of Cooper House, or sign up for electronic giving through the Simply Giving program. If you would like more information about Simply Giving, please contact Phil Houseal (phouseal@comcast.net).

COMMUNION SPONSORS

If you would like to sponsor communion kits, please contact Anne (email: adminzelc@comcast.net or call/text: 717-945-4585)

CROP WALK 2020

The Social Outreach Team is looking forward to the CROP Walk on October 18! This year, the walk will be a “micro walk” around Landisville so it is easy and convenient to participate! Registration is online at:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/lancasterpa/ZionLandiville>.

If you have any questions, contact Randy Miller (randymiller107@comcast.net) or Anne Rankin (adminzelc@comcast.net). If you are unable to walk, you can still be a part of this fun and purposeful afternoon by supporting Zion's walkers. You can donate online at the same link as to register. (See above). Donations collected will support Church World Service and the Lancaster Food Hub.

COUNCIL SEATS

Council is still looking for people who are interested in being part of Council in the church during this exciting time of transition! If you are interested in taking on (or learning more about) this type of leadership role, please contact Ed Blough (cblough@embarqmail.com), Linda Bear (lbear01@comcast.net), John Hinkle (jhinkle1001@comcast.net), Adele King (adelel3@aol.com).

OUTDOOR LUNCH GATHERING

BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) to Rapho Township Park Pavilion along Strickler Rd. in Mount Joy on Wednesday, September 23 at 11:30! Come and enjoy some fresh air & low-key time to chat with friends! There is plenty of room to be physically distanced and there is a level pathway for a stroll after eating! Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

WIRED WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

The Wired Word class, which connects current events to the Bible, is going strong! The class meets virtually (via Google Meet) on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 and is led on a rotation by Barb Gerke, Dave & Sue Wise, and Pat Brady. Everyone is invited to join the Google Meet gathering! The link to the class is emailed out by the end of each week. If you have questions about the class or need help signing on or using Google Meet, please contact Barb Gerke (717-898-8407/dbgerke@gmail.com or Anne Rankin (717-945-4585/adminzelc@comcast.net).

OUTDOOR EVENTS AT NAWAKWA & KIRCHENWALD

All are invited to outdoor seasonal events at Nawakwa and Kirchenwald this fall! Capture the Flag will be held on Sunday, October 4 from 3-5:30pm at Kirchenwald. There will be a campfire worship following the event. Fall Foliage Days will be held at both Kirchenwald and Nawakwa on Sunday, October 18 from 1-6pm. There will be fall activities, worship, and a picnic supper throughout the afternoon and evening. Both of these events are for all ages...there is an open invitation to everyone...bring your non-Zion friends along too!

PRAYER LIST & CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Please help us keep information current! If there are updates to the prayer list or your contact information, please let Anne know either by email (adminzelc@comcast.net) or phone (717-945-4585 – call or text)

COMMUNITY MEAL UPDATE & THANK YOU

New & exciting things are happening with the Community Meal program at Zion! Thank you to everyone (so far there are 27 of you!) who have volunteered to help restart this outreach program...without you it would not be possible. Each week, 10-12 people will be scheduled to prepare, pack, & distribute the meals. Meals will be prepared & packed on Thursday afternoons, and distributed via drive-thru from 5:00-6:30pm. Mary Hetrick will contact those who have volunteered so a schedule of "who does what when" can be created. The first meal will be on October 8th. If you have not signed up to volunteer- it's not too late! Contact Mary Hetrick 717-333-6173 or psuocn92@comcast.net

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 122 pounds of food (included fresh produce) Zion collected in August. The Food Pantry always appreciates the support of Zion and the community. If you would like to donate now, the Pantry is requesting the following items:

Spaghetti sauce

Spaghetti

1 and 2 pound packages of rice

Spam

Canned kidney beans, fruit, & vegetables

Canned soup especially Chunky soup

Cereal

PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Sam King

Barbara Williams

Joe Adams

Bill Grove

Betty Stoner

Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)

Cameron Graham (Great-Granddaughter of Harry & Janet Musselman)

Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

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

Marvin Ruch

Dave Wise

Judie Ingersoll

Kay Crawford

Janet & Harry Musselman

Kate Donnan

Don Heartter

Lucy Davis

Holly Hoover

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Richard and Marilyn Heim

Marlin Zimmerman

Arlene Miller

Bette Geibel

Deb McCartney

Charlotte & George Potts
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)
Marianne Sahd (Friend of Rodger & Nancy Myers)

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

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

CONDOLENCES to the family of Jennifer Thompson.

Cards of condolence may be sent to:

Parents

*Ron & Kay Crawford
31 Country Ln.
Landisville 17538*

Husband & Daughter

*Frank Thompson & Kaylee
301 Wissler Way
Landisville 17538*

Sister & Family

*Lynda, Bob, Alec, & Marissa Martin
1004 Fallwood Ln.
Lancaster 17601*

FOR CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

20th – Prudence Jarvie
21st – Mark Huber
23rd – Burnell Hostetter
26th – Kathleen Hay

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

22nd – Dave & Sue Wise
23rd – Jim & Linda Bear
24th – Randy & Rae Miller; Brett & Julie Rhoads; Bill & Sue Stathopulos
25th – Horst & Lisa Bernhard; Christopher & Brittany Wright
27th – Joel Janisewski & Jean Pretz

CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR



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.

at Kirchenwald

Sunday, October 4, 3-5:30 pm

This is a free event, but please RSVP by September 25 to 717-677-8211 or online at LutheranCamping.org



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm
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Sunday, October 18, 2020

Fall Foliage Day

at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa

Kirchenwald

Pumpkin Painting
Canoeing / Kayaking
Mountain Biking
Hiking
And More!

Nawakwa

Pumpkin Painting
Apple Butter Boil
Hayrides
Hiking
And More!

Bring your family and friends to camp for a fall afternoon! Both events will run from 1-6pm. An evening meal will be provided.

Registration is \$10/person.

Please call 717-677-8211 or visit
LutheranCamping.org
by October 9 to register.



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Dir. of Music & Worship Arts

Assisting Ministers

Parish Administrator

Worship Technology Assistant

Ministry Assistant

Council President

Council Vice President

Members of the Congregation

Pastor David Klepper

James C. Alfieri

Doug Rhoads (8:30)
(11:00)

Anne Rankin

David Albin

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Adele King

David Wise



Sextons

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