



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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WeekIE-Newsletter: May 31

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Friday, May 31

Saturday, June 1

Barb Gerke Funeral – 11 a.m. [with visitation and luncheon afterward] (Sanctuary/Social Room)

Sunday, June 2 – Graduate Recognition; John on vacation

* *The altar flowers are sponsored by Dave & Dottie Wauls in honor of their family.*

* *The communion elements are sponsored by Lisa Nelson in honor of granddaughter Kensie's birthday.*

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

Livestream/Recorded Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw

Monday, June 3 - John on vacation

Comforters – 9 a.m. (Social Room/Kitchen)

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, June 4 - John on vacation

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

W&M – 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5 - John on vacation

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Care Team – 3 p.m. (Zone)

Thursday, June 6 - John on vacation

Friday, June 7 - John on vacation

Saturday, June 8 - John on vacation

Sunday, June 9 - John on vacation

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, AND EVENTS

WELCOME to Douglas Bomberger who is filling in for John on the organ again this Sunday morning. Douglas will be at Zion next Sunday as well while John is on vacation.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 35 pounds of food items and monetary contributions contributed to the pantry last month! In April, 51 individuals volunteered 619 hours to help serve 535 children, 932 adults, and 388 seniors were served ... a total of 1,855 clients!

If you would like to donate food to the pantry this month, current items requested are: cereal, large jars of spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, mac & cheese, peanut butter, canned kidney beans, and canned tuna.

JOYFUL NOISE

Through June the Joyful Noise offering will go to Arch Street Center. The Center is a day program for adults living with serious mental illness. For more info visit:

<https://archstreetcenter.org/>

BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Bible Study will continue to meet through June.

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONAL BOOKS

The June-August daily devotional books are available on the ushers' table in the narthex and on the window ledge in the back hallway. Help yourself! Take one for you and more to share with others!

THANK YOU from Day of Smiles

Thank you so much for your generous donation to our annual Day of Smiles. We love the idea of your Joyful Noise program! Thank you for choosing our special day of giving. The money was sent to Milagro House because they have a lot of special projects going on for the future.

Blessings to you as you continue your outreach ministries.

Love, Jane & Steve McCartney

PICNIC IN THE PARK



In case you couldn't make it to the May picnic, we hope you will be able to this month. Mark your calendar on June 27 at Rapho Twp. Park. Bring your own lunch and come enjoy a meal outdoors with Zion friends!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SUMMER OUTREACH PROJECT

Zion will be participating in the LWR Personal Care Kit project again this summer! When you have purchased the required items for a kit (listed below), put them in a plastic bag and place them in the collection chest across from the mailboxes.

We will assemble the kits on Rally Day in September.

Shopping List

- Bath towel (lightweight, dark color)
- Bath soap (2 or 3 bars totaling 8 to 9 ounces, in packaging)
- Toothbrush (in packaging or envelope)
- Comb (sturdy, remove packaging)
- Nail clippers (remove packaging)

It is impossible to know in advance where our outreach projects will end up, but knowing they make an incredible difference to others is enough to keep doing them!

To see the real-life impact that projects like this has, watch the video about how **LWR quilts and kits are being used to help bring comfort to stranded crews on ships stuck in Baltimore after the Key Bridge collapse**. See how what we have collected, made, and assembled here at Zion in previous years has on others. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mJMm9C4ROs>

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM IS BACK



Thank you to everyone who came out to pick up trash! What a helpful and noticeable way to make a difference in the community!

SHARING OUR TREASURES: May Update

We have just completed the first month of the second quarter of 2024 which means we are already one-third of the way through the year. While expenses for April exceeded income by **(\$4,141)**, they continue to be maintained year-to-date under budget by \$13,964. As noted in previous updates, this is a job well done by those responsible for controlling expenses and will hopefully continue throughout the year. In spite of this, our giving falls short of covering expenses by **(\$10,425)**, year-to-date.

Of additional concern is that even though Zion's expenses continue in the summer months, giving typically declines because vacations and other seasonal activities compete with church attendance more than through the rest of the year. When we reflect on how God's gracious and generous gifts to us continue without interruption, perhaps this is the time for us to examine our pattern of giving and to consider alternative giving methods. Have you thought about contributing electronically at a frequency and amount that works for your budgeting and financial situation? Some members are already using this convenient method of giving and maybe you would like to use it too. More information about this option will be shared with the congregation in the near future.

We are grateful to you and thank you for your continued generous giving that supports the church's mission and ministry, and also supports each of us as we continue to grow in our relationship with Jesus.

"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8)

ZELC CONDENSED FINANCIAL REPORT **April 2024**

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Salaries & Benefits	15,624	63,385
Administration	819	15,643
Property	3,661	26,860
Stewardshp: Synod & Other Benevolence	1,936	8,085
Worship & Music, Ministry Teams & Other	1,590	4,502
Total Expenses	23,629	118,475
<u>Income</u>		
Offerings	19,252	95,483
Special Giving	336	12,566
Total Income	19,588	108,049
Difference	(4,041)	(10,425)



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

~Celebrating Zion's Graduates this Year~

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

We give thanks to God for the young people in our congregation who have graduated from high school and college this year and are now pursuing new endeavors.



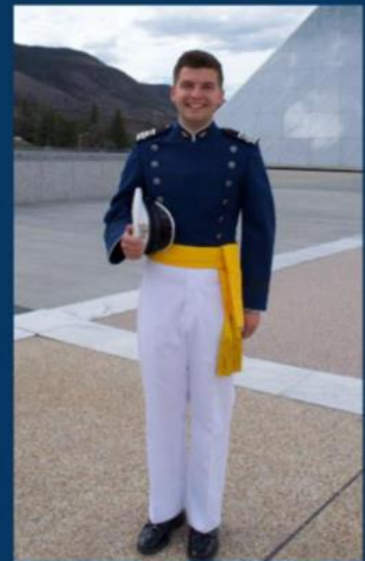
SAM MYERS

Sam graduated from Hempfield High School. After completing his senior year of high school at Stevens Tech, Sam is entering the workforce. He has been hired by BigTrucks Truck and Trailer Repair, where he will train to be a diesel mechanic.



Evan Benedict

Evan graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science. He will be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force and will be going to Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas for pilot training.



Bradley Green

Bradley graduated from Westminster College earning his Bachelor's degree in Political Science. He is currently pursuing a job in Pittsburgh working on a State Senator campaign.



We give thanks for your skills and your talents, your desires and your hopes, and the contributions you will continue to make in the world.

We pray God's blessing on you and wish you Godspeed in the days ahead.

*"For I know the plans for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future!"
-Jeremiah 29:11*



CONGRATS FROM YOUR ZION FAMILY!
You are supported and loved each step of the way!



The Lutheran Camping Corporation
of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

To register or for more information, visit:
<https://www.lutherancamping.org>



**Dinner Church: THIS SUNDAY & July 7 @ 5 p.m.
@ The Wittel Farm**

Dinner Church is a community gathered around a shared meal to listen, connect, sing, pray, eat, drink, and be with God in creation. Bring some food to share.

May 5: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/dinner-church-0524/>

**SUMMER ECO-EDUCATION DAYS AT THE WITTEL FARM
June 8, July 6, & August 10 @ 11 a.m.**

We will explore the practices and benefits of ecological farming. Lunch included in the \$10 registration fee.

***CAMP COUNSELOR HOSTS NEEDED on one or more
weekend(s) in July and/or the beginning of August.
Let Pastor Tim know if this is something you can do!***

COMMUNITY MEAL UPDATE

The Community Meal at Zion completed a successful Winter/Spring season on May 23. We are now on a summer hiatus until September 12. It was a smooth transition from a weekly takeout meal to a served meal in the social room offered twice a month. Attendance slowly improved throughout the year, especially after we placed an advertisement in the Merchandiser. Since the Christmas break, a total of 264 meals were served over ten Thursday evenings. Our highest attendance was 36 people. We seem to have a core group of folks who come on a regular basis, and they are really enjoying this time together.

Mary especially thanks the members of Zion who stepped up to help with the meals this year, including Pat Landis, Cathy Benedict, Randy Miller, Judy Traup, and Jolene Goldman. They, along with our faithful meal sponsors, helped to provide this important ministry to our local community. THANK YOU!

Looking ahead to the Fall season, all of the scheduled meals have sponsors from local churches and school groups. What a blessing! Please consider coming to a meal and see this ministry in action – it is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors!

NEW ZION BROCHURE

The Stewardship Team has created a new brochure for the church. They are available on the ushers' table and on the window ledge in the hallway across from the choir room. Please take some to distribute to friends and neighbors!



VBS 2024

Trinity UCC, 2340 State St., East Petersburg

www.trinityeastpete.org

717-569-1632

July 15 - 18 6:30-8:30 PM

July 19 6:30 PM Closing Program

Caretaker And Me Class - Under Five With Caretaker

Children's Classes - Five Through Finished Sixth Grade

Youth Volunteers - Contact Mrs. Slechta

Through stories, crafts, games, and music, "*Reach For The Stars*" reminds us that things that seem impossible to us, are possible with God.

TEEN/ADULT CLASS

Led by Pastor Esbenshade, this VBS group will be studying the book, "Tradition in Crisis" by Peter Schmiechen. The class will examine how it is now the time to reclaim the church based on the grace and community of Christ.

***Register through the
VBS/Rally Day
website:***

www.trinityeastpete.org

Join us for a
berry sweet time!



Strawberry Festival

Saturday, June 1 • 11 AM – 1 PM
Luther Acres, 600 E. Main St., Lititz, PA

Rain or shine! In the event of rain, will move indoors.



\$7.00

Strawberries, Shortcake,
Ice Cream, Whipped Cream

\$5.00

Hot Dog, Chips, Drink

**Plus, a raffle for strawberry-themed items,
such as dishes and ceramics.
Must be present to win.**

Prices: • \$5 for two tickets

- \$10 for arm's length strip of tickets
- \$15 for double arm's length strip of tickets

*Proceeds benefit the charitable activities
of the Luther Acres Residents' Council.*

2024 CHURCH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

OVER THE SUMMER...

June

2: Graduate Recognition
27: Bring Your Own Lunch (11:30 a.m.)
(Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion)

July

7: Outdoor Service
25: Bring Your Own Lunch (11:30 a.m.)
(Salunga Firehouse Park Pavilion)

August

29: Bring Your Own Lunch (11:30 a.m.)
(Rapho Twp. Park Pavilion)

INTO THE FALL...

September

1: Outdoor Service
8: Rally Day Catered Luncheon (no SS)
29: Rizzetta's Tones (3 p.m.)

October

3: Picnic at Lake Grubb (4:30 p.m.)
19: Andy Beningo (comedian) (8 p.m.)
20: Crop Walk (1:30 p.m.)

December

7: Women of Zion Advent Breakfast
7: Liederkrantz Christmas Concert
(4 p.m.)
22: Christmas Trivia during SS hour

COBYS FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION PRESENTS

PARENTING WORKSHOPS

For Parents, Kinship Caregivers and Resource & Adoptive Parents



MINDFUL SELF-COMPASSION FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

CERTIFICATES FOR TRAINING HOURS
ARE AVAILABLE

THURSDAY, JUNE 20
7-8:30PM ON ZOOM

LED BY LESLEY A. HUFF, PSYD

Eleanor Brown wisely stated, "You cannot serve from an empty vessel." Caring for others requires us to include ourselves. Join us for hands-on practices to learn how to stay present while caring for others, how to treat ourselves as kindly as we would treat a friend, and how this self-care is directly connected to the quality of care and connection we are able to offer.

To register for these FREE workshops, please visit

<https://cobys.org/family-support/programs-offered>



COBYS Family Life
Education Department
444 Murry Hill Circle
Lancaster, PA 17601

Questions? Please contact education@cobys.org or call 717-435-8139

Services provided by funding through Lancaster County CYA, Schuylkill County CYS, and the Lancaster County Drug and Alcohol Commission.

***PRAYER LIST
FOR HEALING***

Dave Wauls
Dave Wise
Cindy Blough
Dolly Overly
Bob Shirk
Jess Barcaro
Sam King
Bill Grove
Connie Alsedek
Joe Adams
Mary Zimmerman
Marvin Ruch
Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll
Holly Hoover
Barb Williams
John Hay
Kay Crawford
Tom Grzybowski
Rick Nickel (Friend of Randy Miller)
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)
Ed Illick (Husband of Pastor Pam Illick)
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)
Amy Jones (Neighbor of Bob & Judy Traup)
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)
Isaac Miller (Great nephew of Judy & Bob Traup)
James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson and nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)
Rev. David Klepper (Father of Dave Klepper and friend of the congregation)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson
Lucy Davis
George Potts
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)
Darrell Gerke & family on the death of Barb
Julia Grove on the death of her sister, Madeleine Casal
Richard Kleckner & friends of Sandra
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)
Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Evan Benedict

Christopher Wright

Chris Andrew

Thom Whitesel

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Justin Gorlaski

Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)

Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

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

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

4th: Joshua Deibler

5th: Mitch Gunzenhauser; Ryan Stitzel

7th: Cheryl Callahan

8th: Steven Donnan, Danielle Myers

9th: Dottie Wauls

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
Kim Paternoster
Denise Haun
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship
Livestream & Recorded Link
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIy_3AeK_pExuVhcUfI2cSw
Bible Study Video Series Class (Parlor)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)
Morning Bible Study
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.
Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Sept.-May)
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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>
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Newsletters, Announcements, Calendars, etc.).
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