

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 16-17, 2020

Welcome!!

- ✓ Parish office phone and fax is 570-668-2180.
- ✓ Parish office email address is zionlcof@verizon.net
- ✓ Parish website is www.ziontamaqua.com
- ✓ The Parish Office Hours- Monday & Wednesday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Zion's 2020 Church Council officers: Frank Rudy, President, Chris Henritz, Vice-President, Darlene Fetterman, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include: Sam Caley, Michael Haspe, Ernie Henritz, Glenn Fritzing, Nathan Gerace, Bob Maue Bonnie Painter, Mary Ruth Taylor, and Tiffany Warden; if you have suggestions or concerns, please seek out a member of Council so that we can promptly address the needs of the congregation.

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

THE CANDLES are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Fred & Lesley Bommer and Anthony D'Alonzo by Melissa & Alexander D'Alonzo

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of her father, Clair Gerber by daughter, Marlene McLaughlin and family

CURRENT FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of our niece McKayla Wall by Fran & Joyce Arner

In loving memory of his sister Diane Miller by Fran & Joyce Arner

With Thanks to Pastor Cindy, George, Michael, Sandy, Joe & Marlin for the very inspirational Lenten services by Dave & Darlene Fetterman;

Easter memorial in loving memory of Kendall McLaughlin given by Grandparents, Barry & Marlene McLaughlin

In loving memory of the birthday of Mrs. E. A. Follweiler from her children and their families

In loving memory of Mrs. E. A. Follweiler for Mother's Day from her children and their families

In loving memory of Mr. E. A. Follweiler for Father's day from his children and their families

In loving memory of Michael Cappos for Father's day from his children and their families

HELPING HAND FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Mrs. Pauline Schissler's birthday, April 29th given by Barry & Marlene McLaughlin & sons

IMPROVEMENT FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Dorothy Rother Epler on Mother's Day by daughters, Francis, Joan & Carol

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

With Thanks to Pastor Cindy, Sandy, Joe, Patrick, George, and Michael for the beautiful "Together" concert by Dave & Darlene Fetterman

This Week in Our Church

SUNDAY, May 17, 2020

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament / Online

10:15 Christian Education /Online

MONDAY

Newsletter Deadline

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Zoom Gathering/ Online

SATURDAY

5:30 Saturday Evening Worship/ Online

NEXT SUNDAY, May 24, 2020

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament / Online

10:15 Christian Education /Online

Please remember the following in your prayers: Fern Rudenko, Robert Schlock, Mary Richards, Dolly Christ, Carol Dietrich, Irene Pecha, Mrs. Chris Miller, Nancy Betz, Ida Piccin, Jeanne Rajnic, Carolyn Tirpak, Gwen Evans, Kathleen Valentine, Ralph Derr, Sam Caley, Joseph Harvilla, Eva (Mitzi) Koomar, Janet Plasha, Danny Whitenight, Mary Koch, John Lattanzi, and all of our members who are homebound.

DEADLINE: All information for the **June/ July/ August 2020 issue of the “Herald”** is due at the church office no later than **Monday, May 18, 2020. Please note that this is a combined issue.** You may e-mail your information to zionlcof@verizon.net or stop in during regular office hours. Thank you for your co-operation!

The Goods N' Stuff Rummage Sale has been postponed to a date to be determined. At this time, we are **NO LONGER ACCEPTING DONATIONS.** Due to storage restrictions we ask that you do **NOT** leave donations outside the church. **Any items left at the doors will be thrown out with the garbage.** We can't compromise the integrity of the church interior. Thank you for your cooperation, and for supporting Goods n' Stuff.

THE TIE THAT BINDS

We are having ZOOM meetings Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. We suggest that you download ZOOM to your computer or phone before the meeting and test it.

You will be able to see others in the group if they have a camera on the computer or if they are using their cell phone. So you will want to test both your camera and build-in microphone.

This will be a time to chat, pray and sing. The invitation has been sent to Zion's email list. If you are not on that list, please contact zionlcof@verizon.net.

Supporting Zion's Ministries

Contributions received for 5/10/20:	
Received to meet \$4,045.65 weekly budget:	\$5,311.00 +
Loan	\$15,400.00
Received for Endowment:	\$0.00
Received for Capital Campaign:	\$1,710.00
Contributions YTD to meet operating budget expenses:	\$111,806.73*
Received from offering/gifts/memorials:	\$91,259.73*
Received from Endowment:	\$17,647.00
Received from Culinary:	\$2,900.00
Received from Bequests: (*included in amounts)	\$30,256.66
Received from Loan: (*included in amounts)	\$15,400.00
Budget operating expenses YTD:	\$80,433.09
Budget status YTD:	\$31,373.64

Thank you for your gifts.

Your offerings allow us to share the word of God and the love of Jesus with our congregation and our community.

***Please note that counting is done every two weeks.
Thank you for mailing in your gifts!***

Congregational meeting – There will be a brief Congregational Meeting on the Sunday following our first church service back to vote on necessary parsonage repairs. The property committee appreciates your attendance as a quorum needs to be met.

Zion Christian Ed director Michael Haspe shares stories and messages for people of all ages. Join Michael Monday, Wednesday and Fridays on the Zion Facebook page and website (www.ziontamaqua.com).

SUPPORTING OUR SEMINARIAN - As most of you know, we are extremely blessed here at Zion to have Dillon Epler, one of our own members, studying at seminary to become a Lutheran Pastor. It is customary for a church to make a gift to support their candidate each semester. Dillon's tuition will be covered by seminary grants, however there are still considerable expenses. Church Council is requesting your support with donations for Dillon's textbooks. If you would like to make a donation, please write a check to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church and designate "For Dillon Epler." Jesus said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all nations." (Mark 16:15) Let's help our brother respond to his call for ministry with our prayers and gifts.

Weekday Morning Prayer on Facebook and Website: Monday through Friday at 9:00 am. The Rev. Cindy White reads a selected Bible verse and offers a brief message or song. Individuals with specific prayer requests can email those requests to Pastor White between 8:30 and 8:55 a.m. each morning at zionlutheranrev@gmail.com.

ATTENTION GRADUATING CONFIRMED ZION MEMBERS: CLASS OF 2020

Please submit a photo **ASAP** with information on high school graduating from, where you will be attending school or what your future plans may be, major, parents' names and how you were involved with Zion. Thank you.

Attention Volunteers and Employees,

It is time for our Background checks in accordance with our By-laws. All paid staff and volunteers that work with children and youth need to have PA State Police, PA Child Abuse Clearance, and Federal

Criminal History Report; this includes Sunday School and VBS staff, nursery helpers, and youth group volunteers. If you do not have a computer or access to a printer to print necessary documents, please contact the church office. If you have documents through a place of employment, please see that we get copies. Please contact the church office so that we can get you the proper forms to fill out. Thanks!



Christian Education Update: Sunday School, Confirmation, and Adult education classes will remain online for the remainder of academic year regardless if we return to church or not. The last day for classes is May 31 followed by the summer break. Summer break will run from June 1 - September 13. Classes will resume on National Back to Church Sunday on September 20, 2020. At this time we do not have information whether the classes will be in person, or continue online. In the fall we will have a better understand of CDC guidelines at that time. If you have any questions please email zionlutheraneducation@gmail.com - Michael Haspe - Christian Education Director

Reminder: Member information packets were mailed to individuals that we were missing information from our records. Please fill them out and return them to the church office. Please note that information is not shared and is confidential. We need to this information for various reports that we provide to the ELCA about demographics of our congregations. Thank you in advance.