

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 9-10, 2020

## Welcome!!

- ✓ Parish office phone and fax is 570-668-2180.
- ✓ Parish office email address is [zionlcof@verizon.net](mailto:zionlcof@verizon.net)
- ✓ Parish website is [www.ziontamaqua.com](http://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 Henritzy, Vice-President, Darlene Fetterman, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include: Sam Caley, Michael Haspe, Ernie Henritzy, Glenn Fritzingler, 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 all mothers by Glenn & Lorie Fritzingler

***THE BULLETINS*** are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of our mothers, Jayne Taylor and Alma Rizzardi, by George and Mary Ruth Taylor

***MOTHERS DAY FLOWERS*** are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Ruth Phillips, Edna Becker, and Shirley Becker by the family

In loving memory of their mothers, Bertha Cool and Florence Valentine by Kathleen Valentine

***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.***

**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.

# This Week in Our Church

## SUNDAY, May 10, 2020

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament / Online  
10:15 Christian Education /Online

## WEDNESDAY

7:00 Zoom Gathering/ Online

## SATURDAY

5:30 Saturday Evening Worship/ Online

## NEXT SUNDAY, May 17, 2020

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament / Online  
10:15 Christian Education /Online

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### 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](mailto:zionlcof@verizon.net).

**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](mailto:zionlutheranrev@gmail.com).

*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.*



*We would like to wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day!* Pastor Cindy will distribute flowers on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> between 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm by the church office door. Please stay in your car and a flower will be handed to you. Best wishes to mothers, grandmothers and aunts on this special day.

### Supporting Zion's Ministries

Contributions received for 5/3/20:

Received to meet \$4,045.65 weekly budget:	\$0.00
Received for Endowment:	\$0.00
Received for Capital Campaign:	\$0.00
Contributions YTD to meet operating budget expenses:	\$91,095.73
Received from offering/gifts/memorials:	\$70,548.73
Received from Endowment:	\$17,647.00
Received from Culinary:	\$2,900.00
Received from Bequests:	\$30,256.66
Budget operating expenses YTD:	\$75,986.76
Budget status YTD:	\$15,108.97

*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!*

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](http://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.

## **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.

We are currently having connection issues with our Facebook page. Saturday and Sunday services can be accessed through the Zion Lutheran website ([www.ziontamaqua.com](http://www.ziontamaqua.com)) and through George Taylor's Facebook page. The Saturday service will not be on Facebook but a link is provided to the service. Sorry for the inconvenience. Services are also on Youtube. Search for "Zion Tamaqua."

## **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](mailto: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.