

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 5-6, 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 Henritzky, Vice-President, Darlene Fetterman, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include: Sam Caley, Michael Haspe, Ernie Henritzky, 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 Lesley Bommer by Melissa & Alexander D'Alonzo

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God

By Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mehalko

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God:

In honor of Sandy Mehalko whose birthday is September 7th by Mary Ruth & George Taylor

CURRENT FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Dorothy Epler for her August 16th birthday by daughters, Frances, Joan & Carol

Please remember the following in your prayers: Brooklyn, Mary Jane Turton, Elaine Koch, Derek Hill, 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, Danny Whitenight, Mary Koch, John Lattanzi, and all of our members who are homebound.

PLEASE take your bulletin AND your communion cup home with you. Thank you.

Sponsors needed!!! The Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsor list for 2020 is on the bulletin board.

The costs of the flowers are \$26.50 and individuals will be billed from the florist. The cost of the bulletin sponsorship is \$16.00 and monies are due when you place your name on the list. You can also sponsor the Candles for the month at \$40. **Please remember to fill out a card with your honorarium or memorial this information is needed for the bulletin. Please do not sign up without filling out a form.** These sponsorships are on a first come first serve basis; this is to ensure that everyone has equal opportunity to sponsor these memorials. Please contact the church office if you have questions. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

This Week in Our Church

Attendance for 8/29/20

5:30 24

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9:00 50

Please note if you have signed up for Altar Flowers, Bulletins or Candles please fill out a sponsor form. I am missing quite a few weeks. Forms should be filled out when placing your name on the sign-up sheet. Thank you.

SUNDAY, September 6, 2020

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament

MONDAY

Office Closed/ Labor Day

TUESDAY

9:30 Work Session

6:00 Property Meeting

7:30 Finance Meeting

WEDNESDAY

9:00 Morning Prayer/ Online

9:30 Bible Study

THURSDAY

9:30 Work Session

SATURDAY

5:30 Saturday Evening Worship

NEXT SUNDAY, September 13, 2020, God's Work Our Hands

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament

Volunteer needed: Zion needs someone to edge the tombstones in the cemetery. Please see pastor for more information.

Morning Prayer on Facebook and Website: Rev. Cindy White reads a selected Bible verse and offers a brief message or song Wednesdays at 9 a.m. Individuals with specific prayer requests can email those requests to Pastor White at zionlutheranrev@gmail.com.

The Annual NEPA Synod Assembly will be held virtually on Friday evening, October 16 & Sunday afternoon, October 18 and Friday evening, October 23 & Saturday morning and afternoon, October 24. Two members from council and Pastor Cindy will be attending. A new Bishop will be elected and called this year. Our thanks and prayers go out to Bishop Samuel Zeiser for all of his dedicated years in this vocation!! Anyone is welcome to tune in. information will be put in the bulletin the week before assembly.

Supporting Zion's Ministries

Contributions received for 8/30/20:	
Received to meet \$4,045.65 weekly budget:	3076.25
Received for Endowment:	\$0.00
Received for Capital Campaign:	\$1,790.25
Contributions YTD to meet operating budget expenses:	\$144,384.51*
Received from offering/gifts/memorials:	\$123,837.51*
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:	\$138,264.26
Budget status YTD:	\$6,120.25

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.*

Confirmation: Registration is now open! The Catechetical process is a 2-year period of instruction which begins when the student enters 7th grade. During these two years, the Confirmation Class will be held one day a week for approximately 1.5 hours during the academic school year. We will continue with classes virtually as we did last year, until we are able to safely resume in person classes. In order to begin the confirmation process with your child, please fill out a registration form located in the Gathering Room. If you need a form emailed, or mailed to you please contact me at zionlutheraneducation@gmail.com

Bible Study: Pastor Cindy will be hosting a Wednesday morning bible study on the book of Matthew. It will begin September 9th at 9:30 am downstairs in the fellowship hall. Please let pastor know if you can attend. All are welcome.

Sunday School: Registration is now open! Classes will continue virtually starting September 20, 2020 at 10:15 am until we can safely resume in person classes. To register your child please fill out a form located in the Gathering Room. If you need a form emailed, or mailed to you, please contact me at zionlutheraneducation@gmail.com. It is important to note that even if your child has participated in Sunday School in previous years, a registration form is still required. The form allows us to have the most up to date information regarding food allergies, emergency contacts, and child pickup information.

Tree of Remembrance: Planning for our 2nd Annual Tree of Remembrance is under way, and we are looking for your memories! Memories can be that of a loved one who has gone to God, or photo of a significant memory or life event that is important to you. Photos should be cut square and be 1.5in. x 1.5in. If you need assistance printing or reducing the size of a photo please let us know, we'd be happy to try to help. If you submitted a photo last year they will be placed on the tree again this year. The Tree of Remembrance project was a generous gift to Zion from the congregation of the Former Advent Lutheran Church in Tuscarora. This tree symbolizes that we are one together in Christ. Photos for the tree should be placed in an envelope and placed in the Tree of Remembrance box in the gathering room. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Thompson at njflip62@gmail.com or by calling 570-668-1764.

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY, September 13 - Visit the Zion website (www.ziontamaqua.com) to learn about the God's Work, Our Hands event at Zion this year. You'll see what Zion members did last year and you can offer your ideas for projects that can be done in a time of COVID-19. Right now we have three projects available. #1 – Cemetery workday. A work crew will be trimming and cleaning up at the Zion cemetery on Dutch Hill. #2 – Collect food items from friends and neighbors to stock Zion's People's Pantry. The pantry is getting plenty of use during the pandemic. #3 – Help with a card-writing project to let residents of the Hometown Nursing Home know they are not alone. We encourage all Zion members to find their niche for God's Work, Our Hands Sunday. Sign up online at www.ziontamaqua.com or leave a message on the office phone at 570-668-2180.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 13 – God's Work, Our Hands

September 19 – Hoagie Sale

September 20 – Back to Church Sunday

October 11 – Harvest Home

October 17 – Apple Pie Sale

Culinary is selling hoagies for pick-up September 19th from 12:00 noon -2:00 pm. Please order by Friday, September 11. Cost is \$6.00. Order on the Zion website or call Mary Ruth at (570)668-4451.

Culinary Apple crumb pie sale is set for pick-up October 17th from 12:00 noon -2:00 pm. Order by Tuesday, October 6. Cost is \$7.00. Order on the Zion website or call Mary Ruth at (570)668-4451.

Memorial Service for Aborted Children at St. John XXIII Parish Cemetery, Tamaqua to honor the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, Saturday, September 12, 1:00 PM at St. Jerome's Cemetery, Jerome & Catawissa Sts in Tamaqua for more info contact Cheryl Keifer at 484-866-3835 or keiferrn01@yahoo.com.