


*Welcome!*



**For God  
all things  
are possible**

**MARK 10:27**

## *Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church*

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*Our Mission: Zion proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament as Gospel messengers in the community. We seek to be instruments through which God transforms lives and strengthens relationships within families and within our community of believers*

# The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost / Harvest Home

October 10, 2021 ~ 9:00 am

## The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

*The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other*

*\*Congregation please stand*

### The Pre-service Music

## ~ The Gathering ~

### \* The Confession and Forgiveness

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, ✚ ONE GOD, WHOSE TEACHING IS LIFE, WHOSE PRESENCE IS SURE, AND WHOSE LOVE IS ENDLESS.

**Amen.**

LET US CONFESS OUR SINS TO THE ONE WHO WELCOMES US WITH AN OPEN HEART.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

GOD OUR COMFORTER:

**like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.**

ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD. BY THE GIFT OF GRACE IN ✚ CHRIST JESUS, GOD MAKES YOU RIGHTEOUS. RECEIVE WITH GLAD HEARTS THE FORGIVENESS OF ALL YOUR SINS.

**Amen.**

### \* The Gathering Hymn

*“Come, You Thankful People, Come”*

No.407

### \* The Greeting

SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRIST, BELOVED CHILDREN OF GOD: GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE BE WITH YOU ALL.

**And also with you.**

### \* The Kyrie Eleison *(music on page 57 of LBW)*

IN PEACE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

*(Sung)* **Lord, have mercy.**

FOR THE PEACE FROM ABOVE, AND FOR OUR SALVATION, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

**Lord, have mercy.**

FOR THE PEACE OF THE WHOLE WORLD, FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, AND FOR THE UNITY OF ALL, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

**Lord, have mercy.**

FOR THIS HOLY HOUSE, AND FOR ALL WHO OFFER HERE THEIR WORSHIP AND PRAISE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

**Lord, have mercy.**

HELP, SAVE, COMFORT, AND DEFEND US, GRACIOUS LORD.

**Amen.**

\* **The Hymn of Praise** “*Glory to God*” (music on page 58 of LBW)

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

\* **The Prayer of the Day**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Sung) **And also with you.**

LET US PRAY:

**Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

~The Word~

**The First Lesson** Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

*Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.*

*(After the reading)*

THE WORD OF THE LORD

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** 90:12-17 Tune “*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*” No.320

SO TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS THAT WE MAY APPLY OUR HEARTS UNTO WISDOM.

**Teach us to count our days, O Lord; Let wisdom fill our hearts.**

RETURN, O LORD; HOW LONG WILL YOU TARRY? BE GRACIOUS TO YOUR SERVANTS. SATISFY US EACH MORNING WITH YOUR STEADFAST LOVE, SO THAT WE MAY REJOICE AND BE GLAD ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE.

**So shall your Name be e'er adored. For all your grace imparts.**

MAKE US GLAD AS MANY DAYS AS YOU HAVE AFFLICTED US, AND AS MANY YEARS AS WE HAVE SUFFERED ADVERSITY.

**Teach us to count our days, O Lord; Let wisdom fill our hearts.**

LET YOUR WORK BE MANIFEST TO YOUR SERVANTS, AND YOUR GLORIOUS POWER TO THEIR CHILDREN.

**So shall your Name be e'er adored. For all your grace imparts.**

LET THE FAVOR OF THE LORD OUR GOD BE UPON US.

**Teach us to count our days, O Lord; Let wisdom fill our hearts.**

PROSPER FOR US THE WORK OF OUR HANDS--OH, PROSPER THE WORK OF OUR HANDS.

**So shall your Name be e'er adored. For all your grace imparts.**

## **The Second Lesson Hebrews 4:12-16**

*We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.*

*(After the reading)*

**THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**Thanks be to God.**

## **\*The Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 172)**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Halle, Halle, Hallelujah.**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.**

## **\* The Holy Gospel St. Mark 10:17-31**

*Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.*

*(Before the Gospel)*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK THE 10<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER:**

*(Sung)* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(After the Gospel)*

**THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD**

*(Sung)* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*Pastor Cindy White*

### **\* The Hymn of the Day           *"We gather Together"***

*Add. Hymnal No. 19*

**We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;  
Sing praises to His Name, He forgets not His own.**

**Beside us to guide us, Our God with us joining;  
Ordaining, maintaining, His kingdom divine.  
So from the beginning, the fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine.**

**We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation.  
Thy name be ever praised, O Lord, make us free!**

### **\* The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. 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.**

## \* **The Prayers of Intercession**

MADE CHILDREN AND HEIRS OF GOD'S PROMISE, WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, AND ALL IN NEED.

*A brief silence.*

UNITING GOD, YOU CALL FORTH DIFFERENT GIFTS IN THOSE WHO FOLLOW YOU. ENCOURAGE US TO WELCOME THE DIVERSE BENEFITS AND BLESSINGS OF THE WHOLE CHURCH IN TEACHING, PREACHING, PROPHECY, HEALING, AND MORE. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

NURTURING GOD, YOU BRING FORTH CROPS FROM THE SOIL AND BOUNTY FROM THE TREES. INCREASE THE PRODUCE OF THE LAND AND BLESS ALL WHO TOIL IN FIELDS AND ORCHARDS. PROVIDE FOR GOOD WORKING CONDITIONS AND KEEP THEM SAFE. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

O, LORD, MAKER OF ALL THINGS, YOU OPEN YOUR HANDS AND SATISFY THE DESIRE OF EVERY LIVING CREATURE. WE PRAISE YOU FOR CROWNING THE FIELDS WITH YOUR BLESSINGS AND ENABLING US ONCE MORE TO GATHER IN THE FRUITS OF THE EARTH. TEACH US TO USE YOUR GIFTS CAREFULLY, THAT OUR LAND MAY CONTINUE TO YIELD HER INCREASE. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

SHELTERING GOD, IN JESUS YOU TRAVELLED AMONG US WITHOUT A PLACE TO LAY YOUR HEAD. PROVIDE SAFE PLACES TO SLEEP AND REST FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NO PLACE TO LIVE. SUSTAIN MINISTRIES THAT OFFER FOOD, CLOTHING, AND PEACE OF MIND. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

RENEWING GOD, YOU BRING LIFE OUT OF DEATH. HELP US PART WITH THOSE THINGS THAT ARE NO LONGER BENEFICIAL TO US AND OPEN OUR HEARTS TO SEE WHERE NEW LIFE IS BUDDING IN THIS CONGREGATION. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

ETERNAL GOD, WE THANK YOU FOR THE LIVES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED. MAKE US CONFIDENT IN YOUR PROMISE OF SALVATION AND SUPPORT US IN OUR OWN JOURNEY OF FAITH. LORD, IN YOUR MERCY,

**hear our prayer.**

GOD OF GRACE AND MERCY, (PLEASE SHARE ANY PERSONAL PRAYER PETITIONS) HEAR OUR PETITIONS THAT WE SPEAK OUT LOUD AND THE ONES THAT WE HOLD IN OUR HEARTS. GOD, IN YOUR MERCY.

**hear our prayer.**

RECEIVE THESE PRAYERS, O GOD, AND THOSE IN OUR HEARTS KNOWN ONLY TO YOU; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

**Amen.**

## \* **The Peace of Christ**

THE PEACE OF THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.

**And also with you.**

## ~The Meal~

### The Offering and Offertory

*Zion members, please use your envelopes for contributions so that your offering may be officially recorded. Please mail your envelopes to Zion Lutheran Church 101 N. Greenwood Street Tamaqua, PA 18252 or visit [ziontamaqua.com](http://ziontamaqua.com) for our myEoffering option.*

### \* The Offertory Procession Tune: “God, Whose Farm is All Creation”

**God, whose farm is all creation, take the gratitude we give;  
Take the finest of our harvest, crops we grow that we may live.**

**Take our plowing, seeding, reaping, hopes and fears of sun and rain,  
All our thinking, planning, waiting, ripened in this fruit and grain.**

### \* The Offertory Prayer

LET US PRAY: GOD OF ABUNDANCE, YOU CAUSE STREAMS TO BREAK FORTH IN THE DESERT AND MANNA TO RAIN FROM THE HEAVENS. ACCEPT THE GIFTS YOU HAVE FIRST GIVEN US. UNITE THEM WITH THE OFFERING OF OUR LIVES TO NOURISH THE WORLD YOU LOVE SO DEARLY, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

**Amen.**

### The Anthem

**“A Round of Thanks” – arr. Moore**

### \* The Great Thanksgiving

### \* The Preface and Sanctus *(music on page 68 of LBW)*

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

*(Sung)* **And also with you.**

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

IT IS INDEED RIGHT.....THEIR UNENDING HYMN: *(ELW NO. 193)*

*(Sung)* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:**

**Heav'n 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.**

### \* The Prayer of Thanksgiving

HOLY, MIGHTY, AND MERCIFUL LORD, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR 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.

**Amen.**

### \* The Lord's Prayer

JESUS, REMEMBER US IN YOUR KINGDOM; AND TEACH US TO PRAY:

**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**

**\* The Invitation to the Holy Meal**

ALL WHO HUNGER AND THIRST, COME. THE TABLE IS READY.

**\* The Agnus Dei “Lamb of God”** *(ELW No. 195)*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**The Distribution**

*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to commune when we celebrate the Lord’s Supper. Zion members, please complete a Communion card once a year for our records.*

**\* The Post-Communion Blessing**

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST STRENGTHEN YOU AND KEEP YOU IN HIS GRACE.  
**Amen.**

**\* The Post-Communion Canticle** *(music from ELW No. 205)*

**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.**

**Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ’s holy name.**

**Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.**

**\* The Post Communion Prayer**

LET US PRAY: LORD OF LIFE, IN THE GIFT OF YOUR BODY AND BLOOD YOU TURN THE CRUMBS OF OUR FAITH INTO A FEAST OF SALVATION. SEND US FORTH INTO THE WORLD WITH SHOUTS OF JOY, BEARING WITNESS TO THE ABUNDANCE OF YOUR LOVE IN JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

**Amen.**

**~The Sending~**

**\* The Blessing**

PEOPLE OF GOD, YOU ARE CHRIST’S BODY, BRINGING NEW LIFE TO A SUFFERING WORLD. THE HOLY TRINITY, + ONE GOD, BLESS YOU NOW AND FOREVER.

*(Sung)* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**\* The Sending**

GO IN PEACE. THE LIVING WORD DWELLS IN YOU.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\* The Sending Hymn**

**“Sing to the Lord of Harvest”**

**No.412**

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## **First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 – Not Printed**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16** - <sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

## **Gospel: Mark 10:17-31**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

**October 17, 2021 readings are:** Isaiah 53:4-12    Psalm 91:9-16  
Hebrews 5:1-10    Mark 10:35-45



# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 9-10, 2021

*\*If you need assistance, please see one of the ushers in the back of the church; Large Print Bulletins are available. Grape juice is available in the tray for those who wish not to partake of the wine. Please Silence your cell phones during service. A Family Room is available for use during or after services. It is located across from the office. A changing station is available for your convenience in the restroom across the hall from the Family Room. We respectfully ask that you refrain from taking photos during the service. Opportunities are always available after the service. Welcome visitors please sign our guest book. Thank you.*

## **GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

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

In loving memory of our son, Brian by Dave & Darlene Fetterman

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of the October 8<sup>th</sup> birthday of her husband Russell Rudenko by Fern Rudenko

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

In loving memory of my husband, Richard Dreisbach by Elizabeth Dreisbach

*Please remember the following in your prayers: George Bozosi, Darlene Skasko, Gayle Hadesty, Jim McRoberts, Pat Brown, Rick Bachman, Ryan, Brooklyn, Elaine Koch, Derek Hill, Fern Rudenko, Robert Schlock, Mary Richards, Dolly Christ, Carol Dietrich, Irene Pecha, Mrs. Chris Miller, Nancy Betz, Ida Piccin, Carolyn Tirpak, Ralph Derr, Sam Caley, Joseph Harvilla, Eva (Mitzi) Koomar, Mary Koch, John Lattanzi, and all our members who are homebound.*

**A bulletin sponsor is needed for October 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Please call the church office if you are interested. Thank you.**

## **Welcome!!**

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Parish website is [www.ziontamaqua.com](http://www.ziontamaqua.com)

Parish Office Hours- Monday & Wednesday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Zion's 2021 Church Council officers:** Chris Henritzy, President, Michael Haspe, Vice-President, Tiffany Warden, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include: Judy Brennan, Sam Caley, Arlene Derr, Ernie Henritzy, Glenn Fritzinger, Brian Lawfer, Bob Maue, Steve Ristila and Mary Ruth Taylor; if you have suggestions or concerns, please seek out a member of Council so that we can promptly address the needs of the congregation.

# This Week in Our Church

## SUNDAY, October 10, 2021, Harvest Home

8:00 Confirmation Class  
9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament  
10:15 Christian Education

## TUESDAY

9:30 Work Session

## THURSDAY

9:30 Work Session  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal

## FRIDAY

5:30 Diaper Depot Prep

## SATURDAY

9:00 Diaper Depot Distribution  
5:30 Saturday Evening Worship

## NEXT SUNDAY, October 17, 2021

8:00 Confirmation Class  
9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament  
10:15 Christian Education

Please continue to use your Boyer's key tag every time you shop in any Boyer's Markets. If you do not have a Boyer's tag, please ask for one from Beth Marcavage, Ann Marie Hadesty or Melody Gensure. Thank you for your participation in this program. Keep using those cards!



We also collect REDNER's receipts and turn them in for cash please put them in the container in the Gathering room or mail them to the church office. Please keep saving your receipts! Please note if you are turning in Redner's receipts please do not cut off the Save a tape portion of the receipt, this makes it invalid and we cannot turn them in, thank you and keep saving!

Harvest Home will be celebrated today, Thank you for your generous donations for our People's Pantry.

*Please Note: Melody will be on vacation, October 11<sup>th</sup> through October 14<sup>th</sup>. She will be returning on Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. If you need assistance, please call Pastor Cindy at 610-674-2072. Thank you for your cooperation.*

## ***GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD***

***CURRENT FUND DONATIONS*** are given to the *Glory of God* and

In loving memory of Kathleen Valentine by Bernadette Abram

In loving memory of Kathleen Valentine by Patricia Heiney

In loving memory of Kathleen Valentine by Frank and Ann Vavro

In loving memory of Kathleen Valentine by Sandy Scott

In loving memory of Kathleen Valentine by Paul and Betty Dombrosky

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Trunk or Treat - Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 p.m. rain or shine. Mauch Chunk Street will be closed between Market and Greenwood. Decorated car trunks in various themes will offer participating children up to age 10 with prizes and candy. Donations of wrapped candy or snacks are being accepted. Please designate the bags of candy/treats for the Trunk or Treat event and put them in the kitchen or on the table in the gathering room. Bring them to church by October 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you are interested in participating this year, please contact Mary Ruth Taylor to reserve your spot. 570 668-4451 or [frautay208@aol.com](mailto:frautay208@aol.com).

**Thank you!** We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generous donations towards our Capital Campaign Fund that enable us to continue to repay the loan from the Endowment Fund. We are grateful to each of you who continue to sacrifice to keep Zion a beautiful building for worship and fellowship. Thank you again for your continued support, Council

### **Upcoming Events**

**October 10** – Harvest Home

**October 21** – Apple Dumpling Pick-Up

**October 24** – Trunk or Treat

**October 31, November 7 & 14** – First Holy Communion Classes

**November 4 & 5** – Two-day Christmas Blessings Sale TBA

**Culinary Apple Dumpling sale is set for pick-up October 21<sup>st</sup> from 12:00 noon until 2:00 pm. Order by Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$5.00. Order on the Zion website or call Mary Ruth at (570)668-4451.**

## TAMAQUA HUNGER CAMPAIGN

The Tamaqua Hunger Campaign runs the entire month of October. Its goal is to raise awareness about local food insecurity and support Tamaqua's two food pantries: American Primitive Methodist Church and Trinity United Church of Christ. Zion members can participate by:

1. Becoming a virtual walker. Post your walks online and seek sponsors. See the Zion website and Facebook page for more information.
2. Sponsor George Taylor, Zion's designated virtual walker.
3. Make an Empty Bowl Soup Sale purchase. TAFFN is holding a soup sale to benefit the 2021 Hunger Campaign to raise funds for Tamaqua's food pantries. You can order your soup now for pick up on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Zion has two soups on the list: kielbasa and potato bacon. Each soup ticket entitles you a quart of the soup of your choice, a chance to win a gift certificate for a local restaurant and also a hand made bowl (while supplies last). You can order on the Zion website and Facebook page. You can order at the Tamaqua Fall Festival (Oct. 10). And you can order by seeing George Taylor or Judy Brennan.
4. Dine out Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at participating "Dine Out Against Hunger" restaurants that are giving a portion of their proceeds that day to the hunger campaign. A list will be posted.
5. Walk with the Zion team in the Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> Tamaqua Hunger Walk.

**Volunteer Opportunity!** Thank You to Ron Dietrich and Rick Bachman who gave their time and countless hours taking care of the Zion Cemetery. We appreciate the hard work involved in keeping it so beautiful. We are currently seeking individuals to volunteer for the Cemetery Committee and Maintenance workers for the grounds. Please see Mark Valentine if you are interested.

## FIRST COMMUNION

Classes are held on three Sunday mornings:

Sunday, **October 31 & November 7 & 14, from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm**

Children who are in **5<sup>th</sup> grade or older** and who **have been baptized** (or who would like to be baptized) are eligible for first Holy Communion. **A parent or relative who is a member of Zion Lutheran Church** are required to accompany them to classes and worship.

First Communion is scheduled for **Sunday, November 21, 2021, during the 9:00 am worship service. Parents, please register your child (ren) now by calling 570-668-2180**

