

Welcome!

A close-up photograph of a wooden spoon filled with small, round, yellow mustard seeds. The spoon is resting on a light blue surface, and some seeds have spilled out around it. The background is blurred, showing more of the same scene.

Increase
our faith!

LUKE 17:5

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

**Congregation please stand*

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

* The Confession and Forgiveness

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, † ONE GOD, WHO IS EAGER TO FORGIVE AND WHO LOVES US BEYOND OUR DAYS.

Amen.

DEAR FRIENDS, TOGETHER LET US ACKNOWLEDGE OUR FAILURE TO LOVE THIS WORLD AS JESUS DOES.

Silence is kept for reflection.

GOD OF MERCY AND FORGIVENESS,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

BELOVED OF GOD: YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN † AND YOU ARE MADE WHOLE. GOD POINTS THE WAY TO NEW LIFE IN CHRIST, WHO MEETS US ON THE ROAD. JOURNEY NOW IN GOD'S ABIDING LOVE THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Amen.

* The Gathering Hymn

"You Servants of God"

No.252

The Order for Holy Baptism

IN HOLY BAPTISM OUR GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER LIBERATES US FROM SIN AND DEATH BY JOINING US TO THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. WE ARE BORN CHILDREN OF A FALLEN HUMANITY; IN THE WATERS OF BAPTISM WE ARE REBORN CHILDREN OF GOD AND INHERITORS OF ETERNAL LIFE.

BY WATER AND THE HOLY SPIRIT WE ARE MADE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH WHICH IS THE BODY OF CHRIST. AS WE LIVE WITH HIM AND HIS PEOPLE, WE GROW IN FAITH, LOVE, AND OBEDIENCE TO THE WILL OF GOD.

(Sponsors) I present Eva Marie Edmonds to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

IN CHRISTIAN LOVE YOU HAVE PRESENTED THIS CHILD FOR HOLY BAPTISM. YOU SHOULD, THEREFORE, FAITHFULLY BRING HER TO THE SERVICES OF GOD'S HOUSE, AND TEACH HER THE LORD'S PRAYER, THE CREED, AND THE TEN COMMANDMENTS. AS SHE GROWS IN YEARS, YOU SHOULD PLACE IN HER HANDS THE HOLY SCRIPTURES AND PROVIDE FOR HER INSTRUCTION IN THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, THAT, LIVING IN THE COVENANT OF HER BAPTISM AND IN COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH, SHE MAY LEAD A GODLY LIFE UNTIL THE DAY OF JESUS CHRIST,

DO YOU PROMISE TO FULFILL THESE OBLIGATIONS?

(Parents & Sponsors Respond) I do.

THE LORD BE WITH YOU.

And also with you.

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

HOLY GOD, MIGHTY LORD, GRACIOUS FATHER: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, FOR IN THE BEGINNING YOUR SPIRIT MOVED OVER THE WATERS AND YOU CREATED HEAVEN AND EARTH. BY THE GIFT OF WATER YOU NOURISH AND SUSTAIN US AND ALL LIVING THINGS.

BY THE WATERS OF THE FLOOD YOU CONDEMNED THE WICKED AND SAVED THOSE WHOM YOU HAD CHOSEN, NOAH AND HIS FAMILY. YOU LED ISRAEL BY THE PILLAR OF CLOUDS AND FIRE THROUGH THE SEA, OUT OF SLAVERY INTO THE FREEDOM OF THE PROMISED LAND. IN THE WATERS OF THE JORDAN YOUR SON WAS BAPTIZED BY JOHN AND ANOINTED WITH THE SPIRIT.

BY THE BAPTISM OF HIS OWN DEATH AND RESURRECTION YOUR BELOVED SON HAS SET US FREE FROM THE BONDAGE OF SIN AND DEATH, AND HAS OPENED THE WAY TO THE JOY AND FREEDOM OF EVERLASTING LIFE. HE MADE WATER A SIGN OF THE KINGDOM AND OF CLEANSING AND REBIRTH. IN OBEDIENCE TO HIS COMMAND, WE MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

POUR OUT YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, SO THAT THIS CHILD WHO IS HERE BAPTIZED MAY BE GIVEN NEW LIFE. WASH AWAY THE SIN OF THIS CHILD WHO IS CLEANSED BY THIS WATER AND BRING HER FORTH AS AN INHERITOR OF YOUR GLORIOUS KINGDOM.

TO YOU BE GIVEN PRAISE AND HONOR AND WORSHIP THROUGH YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, NOW AND FOREVER.

Amen.

I ASK YOU TO PROFESS YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS, REJECT SIN, AND CONFESS THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH, THE FAITH IN WHICH WE BAPTIZE.

DO YOU RENOUNCE ALL THE FORCES OF EVIL, THE DEVIL, AND ALL HIS EMPTY PROMISES?

(Parents & Sponsors Respond) **I do.**

DO YOU BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER?

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

DO YOU BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD?

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.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT?

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.

EVA MARIE, I BAPTIZE YOU IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Amen.

GOD, THE FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR FREEING YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS FROM THE POWER OF SIN AND FOR RAISING THEM UP TO A NEW LIFE THROUGH THIS HOLY SACRAMENT. POUR OUT YOUR HOLY SPIRIT UPON EVA MARIE,

THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING, THE SPIRIT OF COUNSEL AND MIGHT, THE SPIRIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND THE FEAR OF THE LORD, THE SPIRIT OF JOY IN YOUR PRESENCE.

Amen.

EVA MARIE, CHILD OF GOD, YOU HAVE BEEN SEALED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND MARKED WITH THE CROSS OF CHRIST FOREVER.

Amen.

(CONGREGATION REP.) LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE OTHERS THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.

O GOD, THE GIVER OF ALL LIFE, LOOK WITH KINDNESS UPON THE FAMILY OF THIS CHILD. LET THEM EVER REJOICE IN THE GIFT YOU HAVE GIVEN THEM. MAKE THEM TEACHERS AND EXAMPLES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HER. STRENGTHEN THEM IN THEIR OWN BAPTISM SO THEY MAY SHARE ETERNALLY WITH HER THE SALVATION YOU HAVE GIVEN THEM, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

Amen.

(CONGREGATION REP.) THROUGH BAPTISM GOD HAS MADE THIS NEW SISTER A MEMBER OF THE PRIESTHOOD WE ALL SHARE IN CHRIST JESUS, THAT WE MAY PROCLAIM THE PRAISE OF GOD AND BEAR HIS CREATIVE AND REDEEMING WORD TO ALL THE WORLD.

We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.
Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 37:1-9 Tune "O God Our Help in Ages Past" No.320

DO NOT FRET BECAUSE OF THE WICKED. DO NOT BE ENVIOUS OF THE EVILDOERS. THEY WILL SOON DISAPPEAR LIKE GRASS THAT DRIES UP; THEY WILL DIE LIKE PLANTS THAT WITHER.

God is our refuge and our strength, Our helper ever near.

TRUST IN THE LORD, AND DO GOOD; SO YOU WILL LIVE IN THE LAND, AND ENJOY SECURITY. TAKE DELIGHT IN THE LORD, AND HE WILL GIVE YOU YOUR HEART'S DESIRE.

The Lord of hosts is on our side; To shelter us from fear.

COMMIT YOUR WAY TO THE LORD; TRUST IN HIM, AND HE WILL ACT. HE WILL MAKE YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS SHINE LIKE THE NOONDAY SUN.

In God we trust; on him we wait, Until his will is known.

BE PATIENT AND WAIT FOR THE LORD TO ACT. DO NOT FRET OVER THOSE WHO PROSPER IN THEIR WAY, OVER THOSE WHO CARRY OUT EVIL DESIRES.

The Lord of hosts is on our side; He well protects his own.

REFRAIN FROM ANGER, AND FORSAKE WRATH. DO NOT FRET--IT ONLY LEADS TO EVIL.

God is our refuge and our strength, Our helper ever near.

FOR THE WICKED SHALL BE CUT OFF, BUT THOSE WHO WAIT FOR THE LORD SHALL INHERIT THE LAND.

The Lord of hosts is on our side, To shelter us from fear.

The Second Lesson 2 Timothy 1:1-14

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

* The Gospel Acclamation (*ELW Pg. 179*)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia!

* The Holy Gospel St. Luke 17:5-10

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE THE 17TH CHAPTER:

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

(After the Gospel)

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

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

The Sermon

Pastor Cindy White

* The Hymn of the Day

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

No. 479

* The Prayers of Intercession

AS SCATTERED GRAINS OF WHEAT ARE GATHERED TOGETHER INTO ONE BREAD, SO LET US GATHER OUR PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH, THOSE IN NEED, AND ALL OF GOD’S GOOD CREATION.

A brief silence.

WE PRAY FOR YOUR HOLY CHURCH IN EVERY PLACE AND FOR THOSE WHO SERVE FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF CHRIST. HELP THEM TO LIVE BY FAITH AND WALK BY THE LIGHT OF YOUR GOSPEL. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

FOR PARTS OF THE WORLD RAVAGED BY NATURAL DISASTER: RELIEVE THOSE AFFECTED BY FLOODS, WILDFIRES, DROUGHTS, EARTHQUAKES, TORNADOES, AND HURRICANES. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

FOR EVERY NATION AND FOR THOSE ENTRUSTED WITH AUTHORITY: GRANT OUR LEADERS SELF-DISCIPLINE IN ALL THINGS, AND INSPIRE THEM WITH LOVE FOR YOUR PEOPLE. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

FOR VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE, ABUSE, AND NEGLECT: HEAL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN HARMED AND PROTECT THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE. FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK ESPECIALLY CAROLYN, MARLIN, KIM, JOHN, DENA, TIM, CINDY, ROBERT, GEORGE, PAT, DEREK, ELIZABETH, MARY, CHRIS, NANCY, RALPH, JOSEPH, EVA, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

FOR THIS AND EVERY CONGREGATION: REKINDLE YOUR GIFTS WITHIN YOUR PEOPLE, AND INSPIRE COUNCILS, COMMITTEES, AND INDIVIDUALS TO PLAN AND WORK TOGETHER THAT ALL MAY KNOW YOUR LOVE. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

IN THANKSGIVING THAT YOU HAVE ABOLISHED DEATH, AND FOR THE SAINTS WHO HAVE DIED. BRING US ALL TO ETERNAL LIFE WITH YOU. GOD OF GRACE,

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 OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

GATHERED TOGETHER IN THE SWEET COMMUNION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, GRACIOUS GOD, WE OFFER THESE AND ALL OUR PRAYERS TO YOU; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR.

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 for our myEoffering option.

*** The Offertory Procession Tune: “Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring” WOV No. 759**

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.

We do not worship as we ought but only as we’re able.

The vines were planted, seeds were sown. They grew in your good pleasure.

What once was common, daily food becomes a holy treasure.

*** The Offertory Prayer**

LET US PRAY: GRACIOUS GOD, IN YOUR GREAT LOVE YOU RICHLY PROVIDE FOR OUR NEEDS. MAKE OF THESE GIFTS A BANQUET OF BLESSING AND MAKE US READY TO SHARE WITH ALL IN NEED; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, WHO SETS A TABLE FOR ALL.

Amen.

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

*** The Preface and Sanctus (ELW Pg. 180)**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Spoken) **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 our thanks and praise.

IT IS INDEED RIGHT.....THEIR UNENDING HYMN: (ELW Pg. 181)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God, God of might and power; holy is the Lord.
Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God, God of might and power; holy is the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

*** 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**

MAKE US BOLD, O MERCIFUL GOD, TO ADDRESS YOU AS OUR ABBA AS WE 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**

CHRIST INVITES YOU TO THIS TABLE. COME, TASTE AND SEE.

*** The Agnus Dei "Lamb of God" (ELW Pg. 182)**

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace, grant us your 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 Prayer**

LET US PRAY: GOD OF THE ABUNDANT TABLE, YOU HAVE REFRESHED OUR HEARTS IN THIS MEAL WITH BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY. GIVE US YOUR GRACE ON THE ROAD THAT WE MIGHT SERVE OUR NEIGHBORS WITH JOY, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD.

Amen.

~The Sending~

* The Blessing

GOD, WHO GIVES LIFE TO ALL THINGS AND FREES US FROM DESPAIR, BLESS YOU WITH TRUTH AND PEACE. AND MAY THE HOLY TRINITY, + ONE GOD, GUIDE YOU ALWAYS IN FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE.

(Spoken) Amen.

* The Sending

GO IN PEACE, WITH CHRIST BESIDE YOU.

Thanks be to God.

* The Sending Hymn

“O Master, Let Me Walk With You”

No.492

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First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 – Not Printed

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14 – Not Printed

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

⁷“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

October 9, 2022 readings are:

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Psalm 111

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Luke 17:11-19

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 1-2, 2022

**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, 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 and Darlene Fetterman.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of the October 6th birthday of Mary Sinn by daughter, Sandra Yemm

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Brian Fetterman by the Taylor family

CURRENT FUND GIFTS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Brian Fetterman by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mehalko

ENDOWMENT FUND GIFTS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Velma Mantz by Melanie & Robert Dworsak

In loving memory of Velma Mantz by Suzanne Cunningham

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

In loving memory of Velma Mantz by Lisa Sneddon

In honor of Brian Sneddon on his birthday by Lisa Sneddon

In honor of sister, Judy Brennan on her birthday by the Sneddon family

Please remember the following in your prayers: Carolyn and Marlin Tirpak, Kim and John Eckert, Dena and Tim Phillips, Cindy Collura, Robert Dolbin, George Bozosi, Pat Brown, Derek Hill, Elizabeth Zimmerman, Mary Richards, Mrs. Chris Miller, Nancy Betz, Ralph Derr, Joseph Harvilla, Eva (Mitzi) Koomar, John Lattanzi, and all our members who are homebound.

Welcome!!

Parish office phone and fax is 570-668-2180.

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Parish website is www.ziontamaqua.com

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

Tuesday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Zion's 2022 Church Council officers: Michael Haspe, President, Brian Lawfer, 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 Henritz, Glenn Fritzing, 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 2, 2022

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

TUESDAY

6:00 Property Meeting

WEDNESDAY

6:00 NA Meeting

FRIDAY

9:00 Blessings Thrift Sale

SATURDAY

5:30 Saturday Evening Worship

NEXT SUNDAY, October 9, 2022

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

Copies of the
October
Herald are
available in
the Gathering
Room.

Supporting Zion's Ministries

Contributions received for 9/25/22:

Received to meet \$4,049.75 weekly budget: \$2,651.99

Received from Thrift Store \$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$55.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$1,079.10

Contributions YTD to meet operating budget expenses: \$160,316.45

Received from offering/gifts/memorials: \$98,213.07

Received from Thrift Store \$6,063.29

Received from Endowment: \$44,000.00

Received from Culinary: \$8,745.00

Received from Schlitzer Fund \$3,295.09

Budget operating expenses YTD: \$171,799.76

Budget status YTD: \$(11,483.31)

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.*

We welcome Molly Betz as our guest pianist today while Sandy is away thank you for sharing your wonderful talent with us.

Upcoming Events

October 7 – Blessing Thrift Shop Sale

October 16 – Harvest Home

October 19 – Oktoberfeast

October 23 – Trunk or Treat

October 30, November 6 & 13 – First Holy Communion Classes

An Altar Flower sponsor is needed for October 23rd.

Bulletin sponsors are needed for the month of November.

Please sign up on the church bulletin board.

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop sale is on Friday, October 7th from 9 am to 5 pm. The sale features gently used clothing for all ages, toys, books, and general household items. Clearance Prices – Come take a look! Limited Take-Out Menu. Shoppers must wear masks and maintain social distancing. **At this time Donations of Household items will be accepted but no clothes, thank you.**

Harvest Home will be celebrated on October 16th at the 9:00 am Service. Please begin to bring in your non-perishable items as soon as possible. There is a table set up in the gathering room for them. The items will be used for our People's Pantry.

Zion Oktoberfeast -October 19, 2022, from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM or sell-out. Cost of the dinners are \$10.00 and take-outs are available. Menu includes choice of sauerbraten, sausage or brats with sauerkraut, corn and applesauce. A la carte items: Hot dogs, potato soup with ham, potato salad, beef or turkey BBQ; Dessert available apple items with ice cream \$4.00. Hope to see you there!

Phonestream time now limited - The phonestreaming service used by Zion recently changed its fee structure which limits monthly streaming to a total of 2071 minutes. Anything over that number of minutes is an extra charge which we cannot support at this time. We have about 10 people using the streaming service on a regular basis. Until further notice, when Zion reaches its 2071 minutes, phonestreaming will end for that month. This month, we reached that number of minutes after the Saturday, Sept. 24 service. Phonestream's heaviest use is on Wednesday for Morning Prayer followed by Saturday services and then Sunday services.

Trunk or Treat -Sunday, October 23rd 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 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 16th. 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.



Celebration of Baptism

Please welcome Eva Marie Edmonds, daughter of Kayla (Hope) and Matt Edmonds, as a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church. Eva's Godparents are Nate and Sam Edmonds. She will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during our Sunday morning worship service; May the blessing of our Lord be upon the parents and godparents in nurturing this child in the light of faith. Please welcome family and friends who join us to celebrate.

Tamaqua Community Hunger Campaign begins October 1, 2022 - The month-long event includes food collection, a community soup sale, virtual hunger hikers, Dine Out Against Hunger Nights (Oct. 26 or 27) and an Oct. 30 Halloween dress up Hunger Walk. Food collected here at Zion will be used in the People's Pantry. We also hope to organize a walking team for the Oct. 30 Halloween Hunger Walk. Walkers should seek sponsors. A \$10 self-sponsorship fee is suggested. October's Joyful Noise will be for the hunger campaign. Zion's Culinary team is donating 25 quarts of kielbasa soup to the soup sale. Members may wish to sponsor the Zion team or Zion's designated virtual hunger hiker, George Taylor. George's hiking sponsorship page is https://taccp.networkforgood.com/projects/169466-george-taylor-s-fundraiser?from_wicked_finish=true. Learn more about the campaign and purchase soup (after Oct. 2) at <https://tamaquahunger.taccp.info/>.

Planning is underway for our Annual Tree of 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 your family. Photos should be cut square and be 1.5in. x 1.5in. Photos should be placed in an envelope and placed in the Tree of Memories box in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Thompson at njflip62@gmail.com or by calling 570-778-2604.