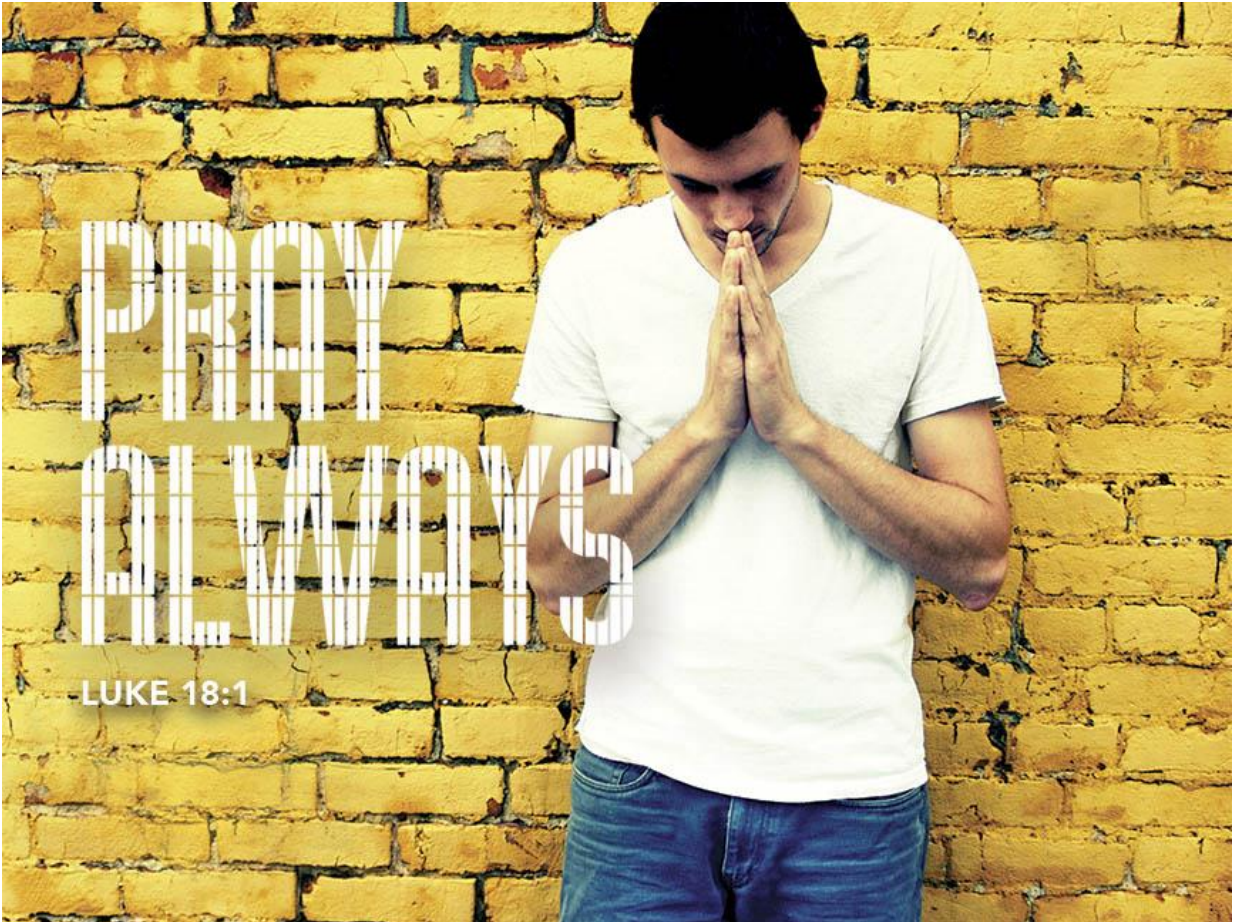


Welcome!



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

101 N. Greenwood Street, Tamaqua, PA 18252

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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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost/ Harvest Home

October 16, 2022 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

**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

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

No.412

* 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** *“This is the Feast” (ELW pg. 187)*

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor, glory and might, be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

* **The Prayer of the Day**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

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

LET US PRAY:

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries.

Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson Genesis 32:22-31

Returning to the home he had fled many years before after stealing his brother's birthright and his father's blessing, Jacob wrestles all night long with a divine adversary who ultimately blesses him and changes his name to "Israel," a name that means "he wrestles with God."

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 121 Tune *“Now Thank We All Our God”* No. 534

I LIFT UP MY EYES TO THE HILLS; FROM WHERE IS MY HELP TO COME?

My help comes from the Lord, Who made the earth and heaven.

HE WILL NOT LET YOUR FOOT BE MOVED AND HE WHO WATCHES OVER YOU WILL NOT FALL ASLEEP.

He watches day and night; His promise sure is given:

THE LORD WILL GUARD YOU; HE IS BY YOUR SIDE TO PROTECT YOU.

No pow'r of night or day; Can vex your spirit sore.

THE LORD WILL PRESERVE YOU FROM ALL EVIL; HE WILL KEEP YOU SAFE.

The Lord will guide your ways; Both now and evermore.

The Second Lesson 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

(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. Luke 18:1-8**

Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE THE 18TH 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**

"Come, You Thankful People, Come"

No.407

*** 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**

IN GRATITUDE AND HUMILITY, LET US JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER ON BEHALF OF ALL OF GOD'S CREATION.

A brief silence.

FOR ALL THE BAPTIZED, THAT THEY BECOME SKILLED IN COMPASSION AND GRACE AND EQUIPPED TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS WITH ALL. GRANT YOUR FOLLOWERS PERSISTENCE IN PROCLAMATION AND PRAYER. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

FOR AIR AND SKY, CLOUDS AND SUN, THAT THEY PROVIDE RAIN TO PARCHED LAND AND RELIEF TO FLOODED GROUND. RENEW AND RESTORE OUR POLLUTED ATMOSPHERE AND EMPOWER US TO BE WORTHY STEWARDS OF CREATION. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

FOR JUDGES, JURIES, AND ALL WHO WORK IN THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM, THAT THEY DESIRE WISDOM, SEEK TRUTH, RULE WITH FAIRNESS, AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT. ELIMINATE OPPRESSION AND INJUSTICE IN OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

FOR ALL WHO ARE LONELY, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE NEWLY ARRIVED IN AN UNFAMILIAR CITY OR COUNTRY, POLITICAL PRISONERS WITHOUT RECOURSE TO JUSTICE, HOSPITAL PATIENTS WITHOUT VISITORS, AND ANY WHO ARE ILL OR GRIEF-STRICKEN. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

FOR THOSE IN OUR CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGED IN ADVOCACY WORK, THAT WITH THE PERSISTENCE OF THE WIDOW, THEY LIFT THEIR VOICES IN SEEKING JUSTICE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE TAUGHT US FAITH AND NOW REST IN YOUR HEAVENLY PEACE, THAT WE REMEMBER AND GIVE THANKS FOR THESE SAINTS WHO SHARED THE GOSPEL THROUGH WORD AND DEED. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

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. HEAR US, O GOD.,

Your mercy is great.

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS WE COMMEND OUR SPOKEN AND SILENT PRAYERS TO YOU, O GOD; 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 for our Vanco 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: 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** *(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**

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 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 on page 72 of LBW*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* **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 Senior Choir Anthem “Our Grateful Song” – Besig/ Price

~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.

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

* **The Sending**

GO IN PEACE, WITH CHRIST BESIDE YOU.

Thanks be to God.

* **The Sending Hymn**

“Let All Things Now Living”

No.557

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First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, “Let me go, for the day is breaking.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go, unless you bless me.” ²⁷So he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.” ²⁸Then the man said, “You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have

prevailed.” ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.” ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” ⁶And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

October 23, 2022 readings are: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 15-16, 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 honor of the 90th birthday of Madeline “Gram” Trakes love, Kathy and Mike Miller and family

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Richard Dreisbach by Bob and Terri Livingston

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

In honor of the 55th wedding anniversary of Dave and Louise Schock by Lauren, Jesse, Nicholas and Kallia Wall

Bulletin sponsors are needed for the month of November.

Please sign up on the church bulletin board.

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.

Parish office email address is zionlcof@verizon.net

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 16, 2022, Harvest Home

- 8:00 Confirmation Class
- 9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament/ Joyful Noise Offering
- 10:15 Christian Education

MONDAY

- Newsletter Deadline
- 6:30 Council Meeting

TUESDAY

- Kitchen Reserved

WEDNESDAY

- 4:00 Ocktoberfeast
- 6:00 NA Meeting

THURSDAY

- 7:00 Senior Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY

- 5:30 Diaper Depot Prep

SATURDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY, October 23, 2022

- 8:00 Confirmation Class
- 9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament
- 10:15 Christian Education
- 2:00 Trunk or Treat

The November
Newsletter
Deadline is
Monday,
October 17th,
please get your
articles to the
office ASAP.
Thank You!

Supporting Zion's Ministries

Contributions received for 10/9/22:

Received to meet \$4,049.75 weekly budget:	\$2,114.00
Received from Thrift Store	\$813.00
Received for Endowment:	\$75.00
Received for Capital Campaign:	\$1,636.00

Contributions YTD to meet operating budget expenses: \$166,430.35

Received from offering/gifts/memorials:	\$102,513.97
Received from Thrift Store	\$6,876.29
Received from Endowment:	\$44,000.00
Received from Culinary:	\$9,745.00
Received from Schlitzer Fund	\$3,295.09

Budget operating expenses YTD: \$173,509.93

Budget status YTD: \$(7,079.58)

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.*

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

In honor of the 55th wedding anniversary on October 14th of Dave and Louise Schock

In loving memory Velma Mantz by Barbara Caputo & family

ORGAN FUND GIFTS are given to the *Glory of God* and

In honor of Madeline Trakes 90th birthday on October 16th Love, Kathy & Mike Miller

In honor of Gram's 90th Birthday Love, Michael, Sara, Samantha & Ollie

In honor of GG's 90th birthday Love, Noah & Lucy

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

In honor of Julia's 5th birthday by Nana & Pop Pop Sneddon

In honor of Matt Sneddon by Brian & Lisa

ENDOWMENT FUND GIFTS are given to the *Glory of God* and

In loving memory of Velma Mantz by Kermit & Donna Mantz

In loving memory of Velma Mantz by Dr. Robert Marcin

Upcoming Events

October 16 – Harvest Home

October 19 – Oktoberfeast

October 23 – Trunk or Treat

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

November 6 – All Saints Sunday

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!

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.

October's Joyful Noise offering (collected the third weekend of the month) is for the Empty Bowl Dinner and Walk for Hunger. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Today we celebrate Harvest Home. Thank you for your generous donations, the items will be used for our People's Pantry.

Tamaqua Community Hunger Campaign - 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://tacp.networkforgood.com/projects/169466-george-taylor-s-fundraiser?from_wicked_finish=true. Learn more about the campaign and purchase soup at <https://tamaquahunger.tacp.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.

FIRST COMMUNION

Classes are held on three Sunday mornings: Sunday, **October 30 & November 6 & 13, from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm.** Children who are in **5th 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 20, 2022, during the 9:00 am worship service.** **Parents, please register your child (ren) now by calling 570-668-2180.**