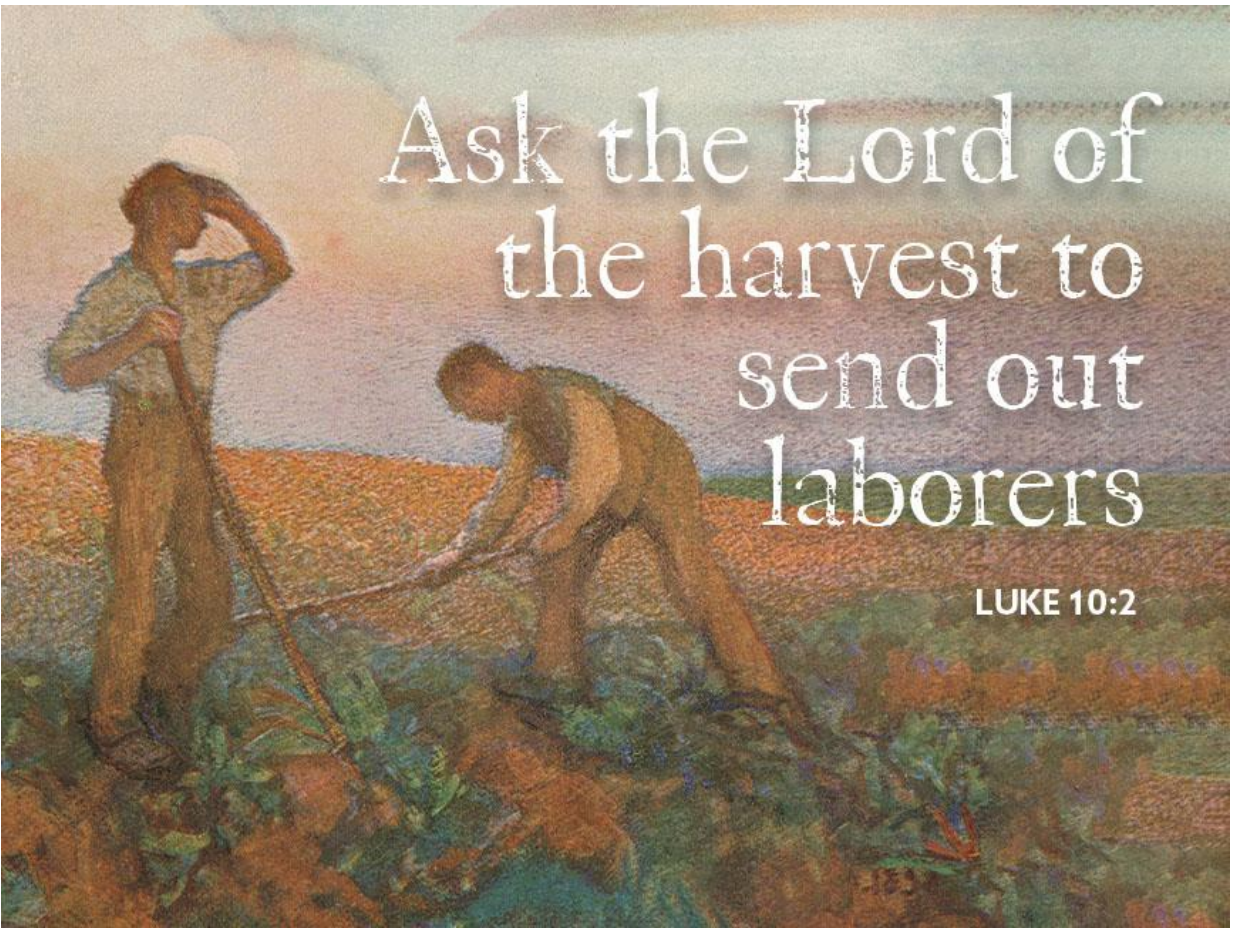


Welcome!



Ask the Lord of
the harvest to
send out
laborers

LUKE 10:2

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: Empowered and Inspired by God to bring others to Christ.

The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2025 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

**Congregation please stand*

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

* The Confession and Forgiveness

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE ✠ SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Amen.

BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST, LET US CONFESS OUR SIN.

Please kneel if able.

MERCIFUL GOD,

you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

YOU BELONG TO CHRIST JESUS AND YOU ARE GOD'S CHILDREN THROUGH FAITH. IN THE CROSS OF ✠ CHRIST, AND THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN. CLOTHED WITH CHRIST, YOU ARE A NEW CREATION.

Amen.

* The Gathering Hymn

"This is My Song"

ELW No. 887

**This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.**

**This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.**

**My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.**

**This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.**

*** The Greeting**

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE LOVE OF GOD. AND THE COMMUNION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH YOU ALL.

And also with you.

*** The Kyrie** (*ELW No. 175*)

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

*** The Hymn of Praise “Gloria”** (*ELW Pg. 176*)

Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!

Gloria, gloria, gloria, glory to God on high!

And on earth peace to God’s people. Glory to God.

And on earth peace to God’s people. Glory to God!

*** The Prayer of the Day**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

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

LET US PRAY:

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life’s journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Special Music – Beth Marcavage

~The Word~

The First Lesson Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

(*After the reading*)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 66:1-9 Tune “*Praise the Lord, the Almighty*” No.543

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO GOD, ALL THE EARTH! SING TO THE GLORY OF HIS NAME;
OFFER HIM GLORIOUS PRAISE.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, The King of creation!

SAY TO GOD, "HOW AWESOME ARE YOUR DEEDS! BECAUSE OF YOUR GREAT POWER
YOUR ENEMIES CRINGE BEFORE YOU.

O my soul, praise him, For he is your health and salvation!

ALL THE EARTH BOWS DOWN BEFORE YOU, SINGS TO YOU, SINGS OUT YOUR NAME."

Let all who hear, Now to his temple draw near.

COME AND SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE, HIS WONDERFUL DEEDS TOWARD ALL PEOPLE.

Join now in glad adoration.

HE TURNED THE SEA INTO DRY LAND. OUR ANCESTORS CROSSED THE RIVER ON FOOT,
AND THERE WE REJOICED IN HIM.

Praise to the Lord, Who will prosper your work and defend you.

IN HIS MIGHT HE RULES FOREVER. HIS EYES KEEP WATCH OVER THE NATIONS; LET NO
REBELS RISE AGAINST HIM.

Surely his goodness and mercy, Shall daily attend you.

BLESS OUR GOD, YOU PEOPLES; LET THE SOUND OF HIS PRAISE BE HEARD. HE HAS KEPT
US ALIVE AND NOT ALLOWED US TO FALL.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, If with his love he befriend you.

The Second Lesson Galatians 6:1-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

(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 10:1-11, 16-20**

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE THE 10TH 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**

"Before You, Lord We Bow"

No. 401

*** 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

DRAWN INTO THE EMBRACE OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS FOR THE WHOLENESS OF THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, AND ALL CREATION.

A brief silence.

YOU SEND YOUR CHURCH INTO THE WORLD WITH A MESSAGE OF PEACE. CENTER THE WHOLE CHURCH IN THIS PEACE, AND STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH BY THE EXAMPLE OF ALL THOSE WHO CREATIVELY AND FAITHFULLY PROCLAIM YOUR GOOD NEWS. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

ALL THE EARTH SINGS OUT YOUR NAME. INSPIRE YOUR PEOPLE TO DRINK DEEPLY FROM THE BEAUTY OF ALL YOUR CREATION. WHEN ECOSYSTEMS ARE WOUNDED, BRING YOUR HEALING. WHEN OUR ACTIONS ENDANGER THE SURVIVAL OF OTHER SPECIES, CURB OUR GREED AND WASTE. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

YOU CALL US TO WORK FOR THE GOOD OF ALL. GIVE RESOLVE TO THOSE WHO LEAD, THAT THEY DO NOT GROW WEARY IN DOING WHAT IS RIGHT. GUIDE THEM TO SEEK PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS AND FREEDOM FOR ALL PEOPLE. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

AS A MOTHER COMFORTS HER CHILD, SO YOU COMFORT US. BRING THIS COMFORT TO THOSE IN ANY PAIN ESPECIALLY FORREST, MARGARET, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, JAN, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. CARRY YOUR PEOPLE WHEN GRIEF IS HEAVY, AND LIFT BURDENS OF SHAME AND SELF-DOUBT. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

YOUR HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL, O GOD. MAKE US LABORERS AND COMPANIONS WITH ONE ANOTHER IN THIS ASSEMBLY. SEND YOUR PEACE TO REST UPON US, HEAL DIVISIONS AMONG US, AND OPEN OUR HEARTS TO RECEIVE ONE ANOTHER AS GIFTS FROM YOU. GOD OF GRACE,

hear our prayer.

YOU HAVE WRITTEN OUR NAMES IN HEAVEN, O GOD, AND WE REJOICE. WE THANK YOU FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LIVED AND DIED IN YOUR LOVE. ACCOMPANY US ON OUR LIFE'S JOURNEY AND DRAW US AT LAST TO LIFE FOREVER IN 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.

GATHER ALL OUR PRAYERS IN YOUR MERCY, O GOD, 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 Vanco option.

*** The Offertory Procession “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” (ELW Hymn No. 182)**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; Unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, And give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

*** The Offertory Prayer**

LET US PRAY: CREATOR GOD, IN YOUR WISDOM YOU BRING FORTH ALL THAT IS GOOD AND THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL. STRENGTHEN US AT YOUR TABLE WITH THESE GIFTS OF THE EARTH AND OUR LABOR, THAT WE MAY WORK FOR THE GOOD OF ALL, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR.

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**

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**

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS SET BEFORE YOU. EAT AND REJOICE.

*** 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: MOTHERING GOD, YOU GATHERED US TO YOUR TABLE AND WE DRANK
DEEPLY OF YOUR GRACE. SEND US OUT BY YOUR SPIRIT TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AS
OURSELVES AND PROCLAIM YOUR LOVE IN JESUS’ NAME.
Amen.**

~The Sending~

*** The Blessing**

**THE LOVE OF GOD ABOUND IN YOU; THE GRACE OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST FILL YOUR
HEARTS; AND THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT ✝ BLESS YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE.
(Spoken) Amen.**

*** The Dismissal**

**GO IN PEACE. LIVE BY THE SPIRIT.
Thanks be to God.**

*** The Sending Hymn**

“God of Our Fathers”

No. 567

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First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 – Not Printed

Second Reading: Galatians 6:1-16 – Not Printed

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ ”

¹⁶ “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸ He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

July 13, 2025 readings are:

Deuteronomy 30:9-14
Colossians 1:1-14

Psalm 25:1-10
Luke 10:25-37

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 5-6, 2025

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

In honor of the July birthdays of Mike, Ollie and Noah's 5th and in loving memory of Pap by Mike & Kathy Miller

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of my dad, James B. White Jr. by Pastor Cindy

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

In loving memory of my father, Hubert Becker's birthday on June 29th by Bonnie Painter

Please remember the following in your prayers: Forrest, Margaret, Steve Ristila, Christine Zimmerman, Eddie Smith, George Weaver, Jan McRoberts, and all our members who are homebound.

A reminder that both a record of communion AND a record of contribution is necessary to maintain voting active member status. Please remember to complete a communion card and to use your offering envelopes. Thank you, Church Council

Welcome!!

Parish office phone number 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 2024 Church Council officers: Michael Haspe, President, Brian Lawfer, Vice-President, Amanda Hascin, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include Arlene Derr, Glenn Fritzinger, Thomas Graham, Carol Hartung, Brittany Scalfani Mary Ruth Taylor, Michelle Valentine; and Shelly Woodring; 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, July 6, 2025

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament

MONDAY

7:00 Finance Meeting

FRIDAY

9:00 Blessings Thrift Store

SATURDAY

6:00 Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, July 13, 2025

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament

**July Altar Flower and Bulletin sponsors are needed.
Please sign up on the church bulletin board**

Supporting Zion's Ministries

"Empowered and inspired by God to bring others to Christ"

Received 6/29/25 in support of Zion Ministries:

From our gifts \$3,753.23

From Thrift Store \$163.22

From Endowment (other) \$0.00

From Culinary \$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$0.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$2,185.07

Received year-to-date for Zion's mission/ministries:

From offering/gifts/memorials: \$70,419.91

From Thrift Store: \$3,803.11*

From Endowment: \$22,905.00

From Culinary: \$9,800.00

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$106,928.02

* Thrift Store donates half of income to Outreach total income - \$7,606.22

Thank you for your gifts. Your gifts allow us to share the word of God and the love of Jesus with our congregation and our community.

Please Note: Melody will be on vacation, July 14th through July 17th. She will be returning on Monday, July 21st. If you need assistance, please call Pastor Cindy at 610-674-2072. Thank you for your cooperation.

Upcoming Events

July 11 & August 1 – Blessings Thrift Shop

July 17 & August 7 – Hoagie Sale

July 21-25 – Vacation Bible School

August 3 – Summer Celebration/ Trinity UCC

August 18 – Newsletter Deadline

August 20 – Peach Social

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop is on Friday, July 11th from 9 am to 5 pm. The sale features gently used clothing for all ages, toys, books, and general household items. Come take a look! Limited Take-Out Menu. Thank you all for your continued support!

Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsors needed for 2025 - The Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsor list for 2025 is on the bulletin board. The costs of the flowers are \$42.60; individuals will be billed from the florist. The cost of the bulletin sponsorship is \$16.00; monies are due when you place your name on the list. 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. Please contact the church office if you have questions. Thank you in advance for your sponsorship!



Peach Social

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

4:00 until 6:00 or sellout

Cake, Ice cream, and Fresh Peaches –\$6.00

Additional food items will be available.

The culinary crew is asking for your help in providing plain white or yellow cakes with no icing. Help will be needed on Tuesday, August 19th to prepare for the social time TBA. Please contact Glenn at (484) 560-8211 or Mary Ruth at 570-668-4451 for more information. We hope to see you there!

Culinary Hoagie Sale July 17th - deadline to order is July 13th
- Regular Hoagies are \$8 each. Pick up is from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm.
Order at <https://www.ziontamaqua.com> or by calling 570-668-4451.
Thank you for your support!!

We had an INCREDIBLE time at VBS this year! The kids were the first to experience the 2026 VBS program "Snowball Mountain Challenge", which will be rolled out all over the world next summer! The program went so well we will be having it again in July as a Day Program! July 21-25 from 11 am – 2 pm. Lunch will be provided! For more info or to register your kiddo visit zionvbs.mycokesburyvbs.com!!



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, they are located in the Gathering room. Please use the swipe card, the receipt does not need to be turned in. Thank you for your participation in this program. Keep using those cards!

When submitting Redner's receipts:

1. You must have a Redner's card & swipe the Redner's card upon checkout so the save a tape amount is on the receipt.
2. Please do not cut the information with the save a tape code off the receipt.
3. Please hand in the receipt to our container in the gathering room or mail them to the church office.

If you have any questions, please see Beth Marcavage. Thank you and keep saving!

Summer Celebration – August 3rd – Tamaqua Area Faith Fellowship Network (TAF FN) and the Tamaqua Ministerial Association are hosting a community event featuring Jeremy Goodling, a well-known religious musician throughout Central Pennsylvania. The performance will be Sunday, August 3, 2025, beginning at 6:00 pm at Trinity United Church of Christ on Lafayette Street, Tamaqua. A time of fellowship with refreshments will follow. A free-will offering will be taken. All are welcome!!