

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE
MAY 9, 2026
ZION LUTHERAN, TAMAQUA, PA

Note: Minister Michael Haspe will ask for prayer requests at the start of this evening's service. Worshipers are also invited to add their own prayers during Prayers of the People. We will also be using our cell phones for the Sharing of the Peace. You may wish to select someone ahead of time to send your message of peace and love.

GATHERING

Video: "Reflections of Love"

Gathering song: "The Gift of Love" – TGSFUMC Chorale Ensemble

Gathering Words

This is the evening the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Look for God in this place.

We search for God's love and peace.

It is here, given for you out of God's absolute love for you.

Lord, help us receive that love and then to bring it to others. AMEN.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray together: **Lord of wondrous light and power, we come to you this day to learn of your will for our lives. Heal our wounds; lift our spirits; give us courage and confidence to boldly serve you in all that we do. AMEN.**

Welcome – Minister Michael Haspe

Sharing of Peace

May the Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sharing by text

We invite you to take out your cell phone now and send a text message of joy and love to someone who isn't in worship this evening.

Godsightings:

Where have you seen God at work in your life?

THE WORD (John 14:15-21)

Holy God, may we taste and see the good things you are doing in our lives.

**May the words we hear inspire us to be your faithful followers.
Amen.**

“Have Your Way” – Don Moen

A reading from John: ¹⁵ “If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[a] in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

The Gospel of Our Lord

Praise to you, O Christ!

Today's message – Minister Michael Haspe

Praise & Prayer

The Offering Moment

“Doxology” – The Vagle Brothers

Let us pray together: **Heavenly Father, in gratitude and thanksgiving, we return these gifts to you now, that they may bring hope and light to a world in need. Amen.**

Sharing of text responses

Prayers of the People

God calls us to be a praying people. Let us join in prayer, offering our praise, thanksgiving, and concerns to God ...

Lord in your mercy ... **Hear our prayer**

The Lord's Prayer – Spoken

Let us pray together as our Lord instructed us to pray. . . “Our Father
.....”

The sending

Announcements.

Benediction

And all God's people say **Thanks be to God.**

Sending song: “You Raise Me Up” – Celtic Woman

Thank you for worshiping with us this evening.