

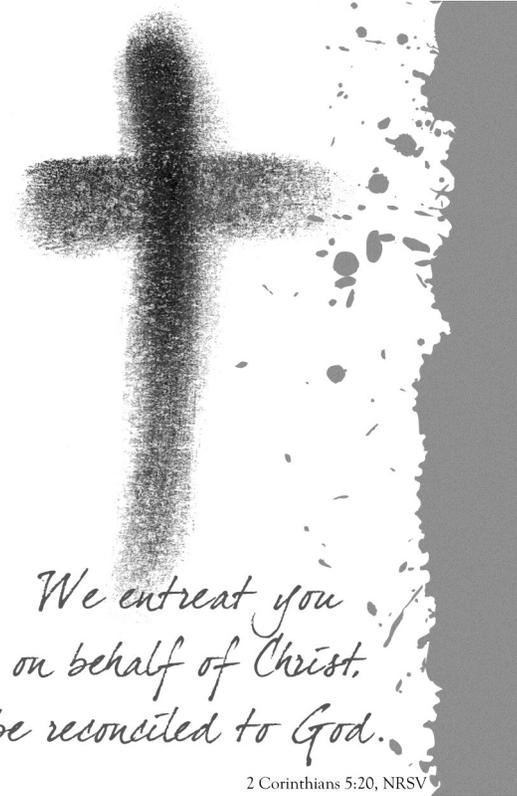
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**161<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY**



# THE ZION NEWS



*We entreat you  
on behalf of Christ,  
be reconciled to God.*

2 Corinthians 5:20, NRSV

**ASH WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 14, 2018  
7:00 PM**

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TURBOTVILLE, PA**

# JANUARY 2018

***Synod USS Ark  
Want to keep up with the  
Upper Susquehanna Synod news?  
Here is the link  
<http://www.uss-elca.org/uss-ark/>***



Altar Flowers sponsors are needed for April 1, 29; May 6, 13, 27; June 3, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; August 19, 26; September 23; November 18; December 16, 30. The price per set is \$30.00 maybe you would like to share a set with someone, splitting the cost.

***84<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Oyster Supper  
Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 6:30 pm***

Volunteers to help, cook or serve will be needed.  
Please notify Larry Kocher if you will be able to help.  
Donations of pies are needed and would be greatly appreciated

Dear friends in Christ,

We will soon begin the season of Lent, a forty-day period that reflects the forty days Jesus fasted in the wilderness. Lent also calls us to remember Jesus' journey toward the cross and his suffering and death for our sins. For us, Lent is a time of spiritual self-examination that prepares us to not only observe his Passion, but eventually, to also celebrate his Resurrection.

The proven means for self-examination are the spiritual disciplines ... prayer, Bible reading, meditation, fasting, good works, confession, generosity and similar practices. A "discipline," which comes from the same root word as does "disciple," helps us to see ourselves the way God sees us. These spiritual disciplines are channels God uses to answer the plea from Psalm 139, which is truly a prayer in the spirit of Lent:

*Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my thoughts.  
See if there is any wicked way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting. (vs. 23-24.)*

While we can readily understand why such practices as prayer, fasting and meditation support self-examination, we may have been surprised to see "generosity" on that list. But generosity is a Bible-based discipline, as Jesus' words in Luke 14:33 show: "So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Granted, Jesus' words in that setting push the principle of generosity to the limit, but he spoke of possessions in a radical way because he knew possessions too often possess us, and that hurts our spiritual state. Thus, one of the ways we minimize possessiveness is by opening our hand wide, sharing freely with those in need, supporting our church strongly and doing other acts of lavish generosity. Lent is a time for a fresh opening of ourselves to God. It calls us back to our best character goals, and our commitment to follow Jesus.

As Lent begins, we will be distributing to everyone a booklet entitled "Lenten Devotions for God's Stewards." We invite you to use the devotions in the booklet to assist you in meditation and prayer. But we also encourage you to work the full range of the spiritual disciplines, so that you may be truly Jesus' disciple and go with him as he journeys to the Cross, and the Resurrection beyond. May the riches of the Lord be yours!

Together with you in Christ,  
Pastor Roux

# HEALING SERVICE



## SERVICE OF HEALING

Our 6:00 pm worship on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> will include The Laying on of Hands and Anointing with Oil. Our Lord in his ministry performed many different acts of healing-forgiving sins, casting out demons, curing physical disease. His disciples also performed similar acts. These practices continued as part of the church's ministry of healing. The laying on of hands was associated with prayers for the work of the Holy Spirit. Anointing with oil was also associated with the activity of the Holy Spirit, but was especially related to the healing of sickness or infirmity. In recent decades, many have rediscovered the value of the laying on of hands and anointing with oil. We invite all who wish to receive this ministry of the church to worship with us that evening.

### Lane, Leena – Bible Birds and Beasties

Did you hear about the donkey who talked? Or the man who lived inside a big fish? Children will love this collection of best-loved Bible stories with Noah, Jonah, Daniel, Elijah, the stories of Jesus and a few other surprises. Includes scripture references. (Ages 4 – 8)

### Little Children's Bible Books Series

This series retells the stories of famous Bible heroes and events in a way that makes it easy for children to understand and remember. Each story includes some type of animal which offers comments and asks questions for the reader to consider. Titles for this series include: *David, John, Jonah, Moses, Paul, Samson, and The Tower of Babel*. (Ages 3 – 6)

### Moses, God's Chosen Leader: Drawn Directly from the Bible

One of many heroes in the Bible, Moses was chosen by God to lead the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt into the Promised Land. This easy-to-read text is accompanied by beautiful, realistic illustrations to capture the attention of young readers. (Ages 6 – 8)

### Omartian, Stormie – The Prayer That Makes God Smile

Reassuring children that God's love is a forever love, the author shows kids how to give thanks for family and friends, give their wants and needs to their heavenly Father, and trust Him to do what is right for their lives. She then explains what it means to pray the best prayer of all—asking Jesus to come into your heart. (Ages 8 – 10)

### Omartian, Stormie – What Happens When I Talk to God?: the Power of Prayer for Boys and Girls

The author encourages children to develop the life-changing practices of talking to God every day and explains prayer in easy-to-understand ways. With examples taken directly from the lives of children, she helps kids get to know God, thank Him for His love and care, and ask for His help in tough times. She also touches upon forgiveness, the power of praying with others, and having a relationship with Jesus as she assures children that their prayers *do* make a difference. (Ages 3 – 7)

### Ruth, Peggy Joyce – My Own Psalm 91 Book

This title introduces children to the value of an intimate relationship with God and the importance of prayer. The images in this book portray a compelling visual and an easy- to-understand presentation of Psalm 91. (Ages 4 – 8)

### Stiegemeier, Julie – When Someone Dies, Find Comfort in Jesus

This gentle book suggests ways to understand and cope with grief. Respectful and honest, it does not diminish feelings of grief in whatever form it takes. Instead, it encourages the reader to find comfort in Jesus, our Good Shepherd, and in His promise of an eternal home. (Ages 5 – 7)

## LIBRARY NOTES

“There have never been, nor are there now, too many good books.”  
~~ Martin Luther

### NEW YEAR – NEW BOOKS

The Kids/Teens bookshelf in the narthex is sporting new titles this month. From Bible heroes to college survival, from classic stories to animals in the Bible, from how to pray to dealing with grief, there is something for every age range. The adult non-fiction and Christian fiction selections have also been rotated. Chase away those winter blahs when you're stuck inside with selections from our collections.

#### **Arch Book Treasury: Vintage Collection, 1964-1965**

The publisher has brought together a compilation of popular vintage Bible stories that still are relevant for today's children. Titles include *The good Samaritan*, *Eight bags of gold*, *The story of Noah's ark*, *The world God made*, and many more. (Ages 5-9)

#### **College 101: a Christian Survival Guide**

This title covers topics such as moving in, dorm life, dating and relationships, finances, time management, being a Christian on a secular campus, connecting back home, safety initiatives and crisis management, and much more. (Ages 16 and up)

#### **DeYoung, Kevin - The Biggest Story: How the Snake Crusher Brings Us Back to the Garden**

The author, who is a pastor, impressively distills the Bible into ten chapters. Throughout the book, he emphasizes mankind's fallibility while hinting at the salvation that lay ahead with the birth of Jesus. The striking, moody illustrations are integral to the story line. (Ages 9 – 12)

#### **Groth, Jeanette L. – Prayer: Learning How to Talk to God**

This revision of a classic combines illustrations, text, and sample prayers to teach children about the many facets of God's gift of prayer. This book helps young children learn how God invites us to come to Him through prayers offered through faith in Jesus. (Ages 5-8)



## ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Ashes will mark our foreheads with a crossshaped smudge on Ash Wednesday. They remind us that we are part of Jesus' story, his death on the cross and his resurrection. We are first marked with the sign of the cross on our foreheads at the time of our baptism, telling us that every day is to be crossshaped, dying to old sinful ways and rising to live a new life with God. The disciplines of such a life are almsgiving, fasting, and prayer. Lent developed as the time for those preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil to make these disciplines a part of their lives. All the baptized are encouraged to keep these disciplines during Lent. We begin Lent with the liturgy on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.



## JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Our evenings begin at 6:00 pm in the basement Social Hall.

### ✚ SOUP AND SANDWICH

This simple meal joins us in fellowship and reminds us of the fasting that is a part of our Lenten discipline.

*02/21 Worship & Music/Property*

*02/28 Outreach/Stewardship*

*03/07 Church Council*

*03/14 Altar Guild*

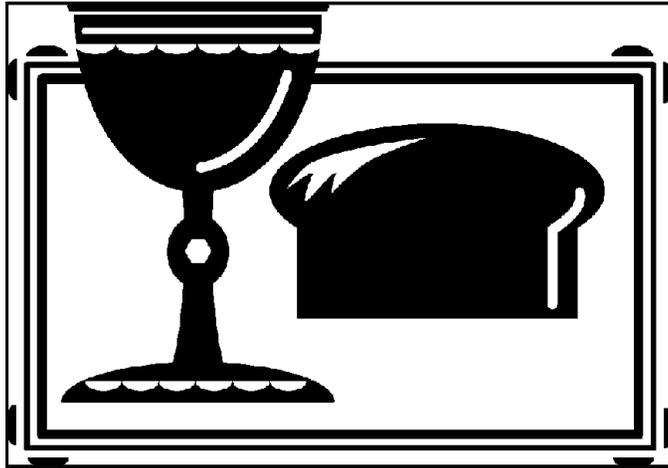
*03/21 Disaster Relief*

### ✚ WORSHIP

We will gather in the nave at 7:00 pm for Holden Evening Prayer.

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Children wishing to receive First Communion are invited to join Pastor Roux for a class entitled "Welcome to the Lord's Table." This class will prepare children to receive their first communion on Maundy Thursday, March 29. Classes will be held at 11:00 am on Saturdays, February 24, March 3, 10, and 17. Parents are asked to attend with their children and godparents are invited, too. If you are interested, please speak with Pastor Roux.



## Zion Coffee Break

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need Coffee Break Hosts  
after 8 am service for Sundays.

Sign up sheet in the narthex in the  
kitchen area

**COFFEE HOUR** -Coffee hour provides a time of fellowship and many more people linger and talk if there are "goodies". If your last name begins with the following letters, and if you like, you may bring a little something to share. A dozen cookies, or bars, a plate of cake, fruit, nuts, crackers, cheese, pretzels, etc. Anything you wish.

A-D 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of month (**February 4th Boy Scout Sunday**)

E-K 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month (**February 11th Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast**)

L-R 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month

S-Z 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month

Months that have five Sundays, Pot luck! Anyone who wants to bring a little something.





### Wednesday Prayer Service

Our Wednesday Prayer services continue at 9:00 am. For those looking for an additional opportunity to receive Holy Communion, the Prayer Group celebrates the sacrament at its service on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Be with us for prayers and the Sacrament on Wednesdays.

### Saturday Evening 6:00 pm Worship

This Worship is meant to be helpful to those who find an evening worship time more convenient. It is a simple but inspiring service of Word and Holy Communion that includes organ music and traditional hymns.

### IS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGING ?

We need your help to maintain our church records and keep in touch with you. If your address has changed (due to 911 implementation or going away to school or whatever reason) please notify the church office. You can call 570-649-5195 or email us your new address [zionlc39@windstream.net](mailto:zionlc39@windstream.net)



## CAMP MT LUTHER



**Camp applications are now available** for anyone interested in attending Camp Mount Luther. For more information on the camp and the summer program, check out their website at: [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org).

To qualify for the early registration fee, campers only need to be registered and pay their portion of the camp fee. Camper registrations and payment received before April 15 will entitle campers to pay the discounted basic camp fee! After April 15, camp fees go up. See the summer brochure located on the table in the narthex for exact pricing.

On-line registration is available. Campers who register on-line are instructed to tell us how much their church is paying.

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
 Congregational Meeting  
 February 18, 2018**

11:45 am – 12:30 pm Covered Dish Meal  
 12:30 pm Meeting

**Call to Order** – Leslie Hartline

**Verify Quorum** – Ann Gardner and Mary Kauffman

**Devotions** – Dee Quigley

**Approval of Minutes** – November 12, 2017

**Old Business:**

Nave Renewal Update

**New Business:**

Synod Delegates (2) – June 15-16, 2018

Review of Pastors Annual Report and Committee Reports

Need for more individuals to serve on committees

Set date for Congregational Meeting – November 11, 2018

**Adjourn**

**Benediction**



**February 18, 2018**

All voting members are encouraged to attend the Congregational Meeting and bring a covered dish to share.

The Constitution of Zion Lutheran Church, Chapter 8 states Membership \*C8.02.c. *“Voting members are confirmed members.*

*Such confirmed members shall have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding year.”*



## Current Fund Daily Expenses

Balance brought forward (11/30/17)	8,352.83	22,318.07
	<b>December</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Monthly Contributions	30,581.85	258,302.28
Monthly Disbursements	22,221.01	260,705.68
Balance (12/31/17)	18,595.63	18,595.63
	Building Fund—\$13,296.08	
	Nave Improvement—\$22,358.35	
	Organ Fund—\$56,095.00	

## December Attendance

Total Congregational attendance at services:

8:00 am - 342

10:30 am - 250

Saturday Evening - 67

Wednesday Prayer - 35

Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm—158

Christmas Eve Service 11:00 pm—55

## COMMITTEES AT A GLANCE

### MONDAY

**Disaster Relief Team** 1st Monday at 7:00 pm  
*Barbara Kilgus—Chairperson*

### TUESDAY

**Outreach** 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm (note time change)

*Pastor Roux-Chairperson*

*Brenda Reasner—Council Rep*

**Stewardship** 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

*Barry Durlin-Chairperson*

*Lisa Wehr—Council Rep*

**Property** 4th Tuesday at 7:00 pm

*Lynn Watson and Lee Bieber– Co-Chairs*

*Dave Hartman—Council Rep*

**Social Ministry** 4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm

*Valli Rovenolt-Chairperson*

*Garry Ritter—Council Rep*

### THURSDAY

**Executive Committee** 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm

**Church Council** 2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm

**Worship and Music** 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm

*John Craven -Chairperson*

*Carolyn Bieber—Council Rep*

**Staff Support** 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm

*Melissa Kilgus -Chairperson*

*Deb Webb—Council Rep*

### SUNDAY

**Christian Education** meets quarterly at 6:30 pm

*Ann Gardner—Council Rep*

## **ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Middle School and High School Youth Groups Winter Calendar 2018**

We invite all youth to join us for these upcoming events. Middle School Youth Group is for 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades, and High School is for 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Events are for both groups unless noted otherwise. Senior High Youth Advisor is Karrie Ravert. Middle School Advisor is Amanda Stoudt. Call Pastor Roux at home (570) 437-9058 or church (570) 649-5195 with any questions.

### **Sunday, February 4, 2018**

Snow Tubing at Ski Sawmill. We will gather at 12:00 noon and leave by 12:30 pm We'll be back in plenty of time for you to get home for the Superbowl. The cost is \$25.00 for three hours. This has been a great event in the past so don't miss it!



### **YOUTH QUAKE ALLENTOWN**

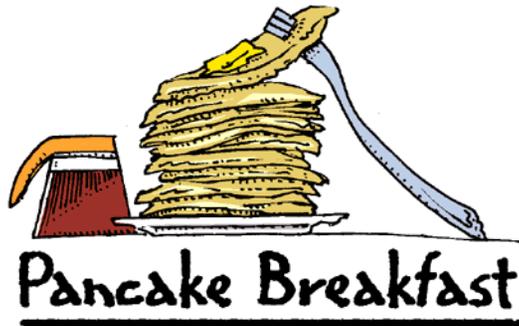
Ten of our youth and three adult leaders will be attending the Youth Quake in Allentown on the weekend of February 9-11. This event, which is for youth from 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade is a time of worship and song, workshops and study, fellowship and fun. Quake events encourage youth to become established in their faith, empowered for Christian living, and enabled to live a life of ministry and leadership. This year's theme is "Overcome," and is based on Jesus' words in John 16:33 -

*"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."*

Youth attending include: Kailey Betz, Cecelia Brown, Jacob Craig, Maris Kilgus, Colton Kirkner, Jamie McCormack, Alyssa Nicholas, Meike Roos, Grace Roux, and Madeline Stoudt. Adult leaders attending are: Karrie Ravert, Amanda Stoudt, and Pastor Roux. Please pray for our journey and the impact that the Holy Spirit will have upon us all.

## Boy Scout Sunday

Boy Scouts of Troop 622 and Cub Scouts of Pack 3622 will join us for worship on February 4<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy. The scouts always share a song with us and their presence energizes our worship. We are proud to be the Charter organization of the largest Troop and pack in the Susquehanna Council of the Boy Scouts of America.



### Cub Scouts Pack 3622 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Sunday, February 11th 9-10:30am  
Held at Zion Lutheran Church Social Hall  
All you can eat pancakes with sausage,  
coffee, and orange juice.

\$7.00 for Adults  
Children 5 and under FREE

*Rev. Erwin C. Roux, Pastor (570-437-9058)*

*Leslie Hartline, Council President (570-716-3850)*

*Michael Yohn, Organist*

*Rev. Kenneth Elkin, Organist*

*Rev. Steven Middernacht, Minister of Music*

*Cathy J. Kelley, Secretary*

*Jennifer Woland, Preschool Teacher*

*Wendy Wood, Preschool Helper*

*Dennis Sheatler, Custodian*

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#### **Prayer Chain Anchors:**

*Call before 9:00 pm*

*Team 1 Barbara Zettlemoyer 649-5358*

*Team 2 Joe and Mary Lou Murray 437-2478*

*Team 3 Martha and Lauren Weidner 649-5438*

*Team 4 Ashley and Janet Reasner 649-5658*

# WARRIOR RUN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

## FEBRUARY

PEAS, PLEASE-This month let us return to those much needed vegetables for our friends dinner plates and bring peas, cans and cans of peas. These come in small as well as large cans. Or perhaps try something different and bring dried peas. They make wonderful soup with an added piece of ham and a few potatoes. It's hot, it's nutritious and ok, so delicious!



*As another year ends and a New Year begins Social Ministry would like to thank each of you that have contributed so generously to our neighbors. The families served by WRNHN have been blessed with hundreds of cans of food and hats, mittens and scarves for children in need.*

*We are grateful to Martha Weidner who has been faithfully committed to this program since 1992. Twice monthly Martha has collected and delivered all the "blessings" Zion Lutheran has donated to WRNHN. Every month for the last 26 years she has written colorful and witty articles for the bulletin and newsletter to bring awareness of the needs of our neighbors. Thank you Martha for your dedicated service. From peas to pumpkins, peaches to pineapples, hats and mittens to applesauce and cranberry sauce Martha has been there. Martha is "retiring" from her caring mission this year. We welcome and support Garry Ritter as our new representative to WRNHN.*

### **Electronic Giving Option The Simply Giving Program Endorsed by Thrivent Federal Credit Union**

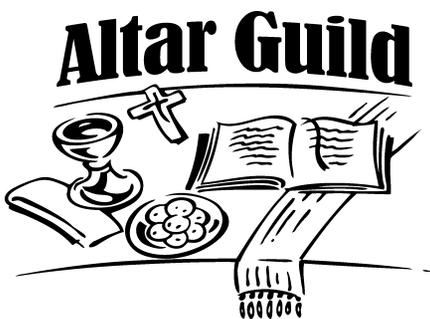
Zion is pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

An authorization form is available from the church office.

### Holy Communion Assistants

We have been blessed to have many people serving at the altar in our worship. Assistants set the table and offer the wine by pouring chalice or common cup. We are in need of people to serve at both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am liturgies. We have four teams for each liturgy, so you would be scheduled to serve three months during the year. Please speak to Pastor Roux if you can serve in this ministry.



### Altar Guild Help Needed

We need some extra people on a permanent basis to be part of the Altar Guild, please contact Courtney Hamm or Kate Fisher for details. Your work will be greatly appreciated.

**Please remember in your prayers our members  
who are homebound,  
in nursing homes and the military:  
*Birthdays are listed***

### At Home

Janet Reasner—1/5  
Earle Jarrett—2/28  
Hannah Jarrett—4/15  
Alice Durlin – 6/9  
Emily Gottschall - 10/10  
Joyce McCollum—12/2  
Maxine Reimensnyder – 12/20  
Elizabeth Sampsell  
Freda Keefer

### Watson town Rehab—Watson town

Eleanor Trefsgger –9/21  
Finley Stahl

### Rockwell—Milton

Janice Metzger 4/15  
Dodie Day 6/23

### Elmcroft—Montoursville

Phil Bower 12/30

### Riverwoods—Lewisburg

Nancy DeHart—12/26  
Gladys Durlin—2/26

### Military -

R. Scott Keister-3/12      John Rump-3/26  
Christopher Keister-4/2      Keenan Young—6/27  
Wayne Meckley-8/16      Alisha Cox Welch - 12/16



**WHAT A BEAUTIFUL RESPONSE!**

This year the MISSION MALL did better than ever! Your generosity in giving to the many needs of our community and world totaled \$3376. (That tops \$2507 in 2016!)

Here are the organizations that benefited:

- |                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Zion Preschool-\$440           | ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response -\$495 |
| Haven Ministry -\$185          | Montgomery House Library -\$185        |
| Operation Delta Dog -\$298     | Ronald McDonald House-\$225            |
| American Cancer Society -\$340 | ELCA World Hunger -\$660               |
| Camp Mt. Luther -\$220         | Nave Improvement -\$278                |

In addition, \$50 was donated to Zion's Disaster Relief Team.

THANK YOU to all of the Zion members who truly have shown their love and caring through their gift giving!

*Mission Mall Committee*

I would like to thank the Youth Group for the delicious Christmas cookies; and also Clara and Bella for the really nice Christmas greeting?

Merry Christmas to all.

Sincerely,  
*Freda Keefer*

Zion Congregation,  
We would like to thank everyone for helping to welcome our son Hunter into the congregation at his recent baptism. We would also like to thank the members who took the time to make the gifts we received for him. They will be used and added to through the years as he grows in the church. Thank-you once again.

*The Watson Family*

# JOLLY BUNCH

Jolly Bunch will meet February 14, 2018. We will hold our annual Bingo game and go to OIP in Turbotville PA

Our next gathering will be March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Jolly Bunch members with Birthdays in February

Alice Cotner—2<sup>nd</sup>

Leonard Tyson—11<sup>th</sup>

Jennie Hagerman—16<sup>th</sup>

Gladys Durlin—26<sup>th</sup>

Joyce Osman—27<sup>th</sup>

Earle Jarrett—28<sup>th</sup>

## BINGO

15	28	37	51	73
6	17	32	45	61
9	15	★	60	70
12	26	44	52	66
7	22	34	48	72

# DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

February Newsletter  
February deadline is  
February 7, 2018

*Are you aware that we have ...*

*... large print Portals of Prayer?*

*...devotional booklets located on the table in the narthex and at the back of the church?*

*Large print bulletins are available for all worship services.*

*Children's bulletins are also available for worship services.  
Just ask an usher.*

*Church E-Mail: [zionlc39@windstream.net](mailto:zionlc39@windstream.net)*

*Website: [zionturbotville.com](http://zionturbotville.com)*

*Facebook: [zion turbotville pa](https://www.facebook.com/zionturbotvillepa)*

*Check out the pictures on Facebook*

*To Everyone*

*May this card express our gratitude and thankfulness for your caring, giving acts of kindness.*

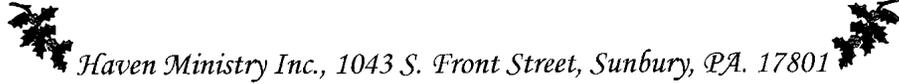
*Thank you for your \$457.00 donation in September, the \$103.00 in October and the \$271.00 in November.*

*The donation of \$2,081.82 from the Turbotville Community Thanksgiving Dinner Committee. We would like to express our thanks for all those who work so hard at this meal.*

*There are so many to thank, for all their efforts. From those who organize it, donate food for it, those who cook or bake everything, to those who set up the tables, to those who do the clean up and those who come to enjoy a delicious meal! Thank you just doesn't seem enough! With god's guidance, may we continue to serve those in need.*

*Neighbors Helping Neighbors*

**Through our regular budgeted amount of \$1,000, Zion has given a total of \$2,390.00, that's \$1,390.00 over the budgeted amount.**



December 2017

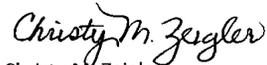
The Holiday Season, as well as the coming of the New Year, is a time to reflect on all our services in 2017 and a good time to thank you for your cash donations, your donations of household items, clothing, food, and your time and talents. Without your support, we could not have provided a helping hand to those in need.

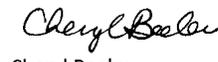
From January 1 – October 31, 2017, we housed and fed 120 individuals at the shelter. We bought new school clothes for the children and work clothes and shoes for those who need uniforms to start work. We obtained birth certificates, Pennsylvania photo identification cards, and renewed driver's licenses our clients need for housing and employment so they could once again become contributing citizens of our communities. In ten months, we filled 495 emergency food orders, supplying bags of groceries to 748 adults and 612 children referred to us by local agencies and churches. We strive to be the best stewards of your gifts as we can be.

During the holiday season, Haven Ministry reaches out to those in the community who need help giving Christmas presents to their children. This may be a family whose bread winner lost their job, a medical emergency or illness, or grandparents who unexpectedly got custody of their grandchildren. For whatever reason, Haven Ministry wants to meet their needs. Again this year, in addition to the children living at the shelter, we are providing Christmas surprises to eighty eight children from the Northumberland, Snyder, and Union County area. This is made possible by the generosity of the people, businesses, and organizations from nearby communities. The holiday season is busy, but when you see the smiles, sometimes even happy tears, of the parents, and grandparents when they pick of the gifts, it certainly makes it all worthwhile.

We are asking on your continued support as we head into the new year and invite you to come to the shelter to see first hand the outcome of your assistance. Once again we sincerely say thank you for your support!

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

  
Christy M. Zeigler  
Executive Director

  
Cheryl Beeler  
Board Chairman



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Rev. Steve Middernacht, Minister of Music	523-7859
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Wendy Wood, Preschool Helper	538-9008

### Church Council Officers for 2018

Leslie Hartline, President	716-3850
Mary Kauffman, Vice President	204-3819
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Kevin Kilgus, Treasurer	538-5479

### Church Council Members for 2018

Lisa Wehr, Stewardship	713-4962
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Deb Webb, Staff Support	649-5810
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**WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF  
ANOTHER COUNCIL MEMBER TO  
FILL UNTIL DECEMBER 2019,  
PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER  
SERVING IN THIS WAY.**



I would like to thank you for all the greeting and gifts given to me over the holidays.  
I appreciate all your help and support throughout the year.

Cathy

Dear Church Family,  
As always it is good to worship with each of you.  
Bob and I want to thank you for all the wonderful Christmas greetings.  
After we took stock of the Christmas TO DO LIST, We opted to not send out cards this year.  
Bob and I spent more leisure time together and focused on enjoying the reason for Christmas. We elected not to bake cookies or make fudge or decorate every nook and cranny. But we took time to talk with and greet friends and neighbors and visit family; without feeling guilty or stressed. It was amazing.  
We are so very blessed.  
May the Peace of Our Lord Abide with each of you,  
*Bobby and Jeannette Calhoun*

### 2017 Great American Cleanup of PA by Numbers

Here are the statistics of this year's Cleanup.

- 7,280 Events
- 132,695 Invaluable Volunteers
- 5,346,943 Pounds of Trash
- 11,168 Miles of Roads, Shoreline and Trails Cleaned
- 16,437 Trees, Shrubs, and Flowers planted
- 20,858 Tires properly Disposed

Zion's Members and Friends were an important part of the of this volunteer group.

Northumberland Co. had 11 events, 586 volunteers, 94,080 pounds of trash, 54 miles of roads, and 532 tires properly disposed.

Montour Co. had 5 events 42 volunteers, 6,080 pounds of trash, 33 miles of roads cleaned.

For a complete list by County visit [keepbeautiful.org](http://keepbeautiful.org) and click on Great American Cleanup of PA, then Photos and Results.

Thank you for your participation.....The Stewardship Committee

