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*162<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY*

# THE ZION NEWS



**Camp Mt Luther Day Camp**  
at Zion will be held July 23-27, 2018  
9:00 am—3:00 pm.  
Mark your calendar!

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Dear Friends in Christ,

“It’s an acquired taste.” You may have heard these words when someone was describing their fondness for a particular food or drink. What they mean is that when someone takes a first bite or sip of that food or drink, it is unfamiliar to them, and they claim that they don’t care for it. But over time, with each new bite or sip, they become accustomed to it and their fondness for it grows. I wonder if we can say the same thing about the life of the church?

In the second chapter of the “Acts of the Apostles” we have a description of the first taste of the life of salvation that the new church received from God. It happened soon after the festival of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples gathered in Jerusalem with a mighty rushing wind and tongues of fire. The disciples were then able to speak the good news of Jesus Christ in every language of the people gathered in the city. The apostle Peter spoke to the crowd telling them that this was the long awaited day of the Lord in which everyone who called on the name of the Lord would be saved. About three thousand people welcomed his message and were baptized. These were people who were hungering and thirsting for the salvation that God had promised to deliver. They very quickly acquired a taste for the salvation that came through the power of the Holy Spirit and the book of Acts describes their new life after baptism:

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,

to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” (Acts 2:42)

This basic description of the life of the new church is the same for us today. To be a church is to devote ourselves to:

- The apostles’ teaching. For the early church it was the teaching of the disciples of Jesus who were still among them. For us the apostles’ teaching comes by reading the scriptures in worship and studying the Bible together in small groups.
- The fellowship. This is a sharing in the love, affection, and encouragement whose source is the Holy Spirit and is made real in acts of kindness and generosity.
- The breaking of the bread. Joyful shared meals and especially the sharing of the body and blood of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are a foretaste of the great feast to come in the Kingdom of God.



*Thank you to everyone who participated in “ANY WAY” to help with the Turbotville Community Carnival. It was a huge undertaking and success. Without YOUR HELP it could not have been possible.*



*Dear Friends at Zion Lutheran and Pastor Roux,  
Thank you so much for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and support during my illness and hospitalization last week. All of your prayers helped get me through this illness and meant so much to me and my recovery.  
I really appreciate all the friendship of the Wednesday Prayer Group and the Prayer Chain. It’s wonderful to have that power of their prayers and feel their care and concern.  
I also want to especially thank Pastor Roux for his visit when I was in the ICU. His timing couldn’t have been better and I appreciated his scripture choice of Matthew 6—on worry. It’s a reading I needed to hear and I appreciated his lovely prayer and thank him for praying with Joe after church this Sunday.  
Thank you to all my Zion Church family for your love, kindness and support. Hope I can be back to church soon.  
Warmly,*

*Marian*

*Thank you Jim and Marie,  
Shirley and Lillian for planting  
the geraniums*



*Dear Zion,  
Thank you for making some extra copies of forms we  
needed for  
Warrior Run Woman's Club Bike Hike.  
The Bike Hike was a success. Thank you for your help.  
P.S. Thank you Cathy for your time and energy.  
Warrior Run Woman's Club*



*Brenda Reasner*

*Thanks to Zion,  
Thanks to the Pastor and all the  
members of the parish who par-  
ticipated in the recognition of the  
65th anniversary of my ordina-  
tion. Jeanne and I have been  
blessed to know you during my  
pastorate (twice) with you and as  
members for the last 18 years.  
You are a wonderful, supporting  
and friendly congregation. As St.  
Paul would say: "I give thanks to  
God always for the because of  
the grace of God..." (1 Cor. 1:4)  
Thanks again. And the cake was  
both beautiful and delicious!  
Deane and Jeanne Shively*

- The prayers. To be in relationship with the God who loves us we join our voices to speak with him in prayer. Everyone created in the image and likeness of God hungers and thirsts for the life and salvation that only the Creator can give. Unfortunately, we often prefer the things that the world dishes up, but the world will never fill our emptiness. Yet when we continue to gather to be fed by God, we acquire a taste for what he is offering us and we discover that through Jesus Christ we truly do receive the fullness of life and salvation. Come taste and see that the Lord is good.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Roux

Pastor Roux will be away with the Youth at the National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas June 26 – July 2. If you have a pastoral emergency call Pastor Steve Middernacht at 570-523-7859.

### **PASTOR ROUX'S VACATION DAYS**

Pastor Roux will be on vacation Monday, July 9— Friday, July 13, 2018. Please contact Pastor Middernacht with pastoral emergencies at 570-523-7859.

## Nave Renewal Upcoming Congregational Meeting.....

The Church Council has called for a special Congregational Meeting to be held on **Sunday, July 8, 2018 at 9:15 am**. The one agenda item will be the approval of the proposed nave renewal design and funding of the project through existing funds and a loan from the ELCA Mission Investment Fund. There will be abundant opportunity for questions and discussion.

The Nave Renewal Committee and Church Council encourage your attendance at this meeting, and we hope that we can move forward on a renewal project that will serve our congregational worship for many years to come.

**All voting members are encouraged to attend the  
Congregational Meeting**

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.”*

# HIGH SCHOOL



# GRADUATES

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED IN THE  
CHURCH OFFICE**

*Office coverage is needed to cover Cathy's vacation time between the hours of 9:00 am—12:00 noon. Call Cathy in the office if you can help or have any questions.*

*Duties include answering the telephone, taking messages, fold and stuff the bulletins for Sunday.*



*Coverage is needed in the church office for the following days:*

*Fridays—July 6, 13, 27*

*Fridays - August 3, 10, 24, 31*

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday, August 19**

**3:00 - 7:00 PM**

**Zion / Holy Spirit Summer Picnic**

**Details to come**



**SERVICE OF HEALING**

Our 6:00 pm worship on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</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.

**SATURDAY 6:00 PM WORSHIP**

Join us for Saturday Evening 6:00 pm Worship. Our Saturday 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. Our service on July 7 will be a Service of Healing that will include Laying on of Hands and Anointing with Oil. We are also recruiting to form a Praise Group that will lead worship from time to time. If you play an instrument or sing, please contact Pastor Roux at the church (570) 649-5195.

From the Outreach committee-----

**Camp Mt Luther's Dandelion 5 K Race** is Saturday September 1, 9am. The Camp Mt Luther Dandelion 5 K Race is a fun way to see much of the camp's facilities and grounds, get fit, and enjoy the morning with others at Camp Mt Luther.

The money raised in this race benefits the camp's scholarship program.

Please consider visiting Mt Luther Sept 1, improve your fitness, and do it by joining in with others.

We have about 5 people interested in the Mount Luther dandelion 5 k race---goal is 15 participants.

Additional Information on the dandelion 5 k run at camp Mount Luther September 1 is on the table under the bulletin board. There are some articles on how to train for a race. Feel free to call me with any questions. Kate Fisher 538-9528.

Remember this is meant for outreach and we'll make it fun too.

Thanks much  
Outreach committee



- Set a reading goal – With services like Goodreads you can set a goal and compete against yourself. There are few things more satisfying than reaching the end of the year and being able to look over your Year In Reading, especially if you've met your goal.
- Always have a book available – Take a book with you everywhere. You never know when you'll be delayed, stuck in traffic, standing in an especially long line, or faced with any number of other situations where you wish you had a book with you.
- Consider the audiobook - There are certain situations in which an audiobook comes in quite handy — like basically any time you're doing something that requires the attention of your eyes and hands (driving, working out, taking a walk, cleaning, etc.), but you'd much rather be reading. You might be surprised how much more “reading” you get done when you throw a few audiobooks into the mix.
- Use your tech-free time mindfully - Catching up on your reading is exactly the kind of activity for which unwired time is perfect. But unplugging in favor of more bookish pursuits won't just help you relax after a long day — it's guaranteed to help you get even more reading done, too. And if you really can't manage to disconnect completely, at least consider swapping that iPhone for an e-reader.

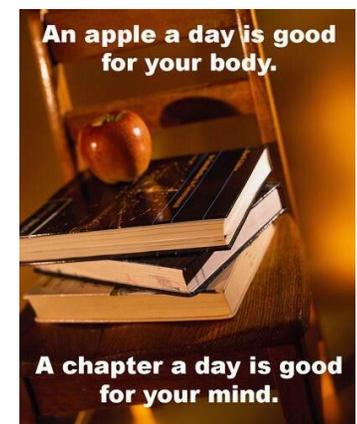
## ZION PRESCHOOL

Preschool registrations are being accepted for 2018/2019 school year. Our preschool is held Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:00-11:30 am, September through May. Our curriculum includes preparation for Kindergarten, Bible stories, field trips, and much more. If you know of children who wish to apply or have questions, contact the church office at (570) 649-5195.



**Preschool  
Registration**

In your pursuit of expanding your reading time, don't forget to check out the offerings on the bookshelves in the narthex. There is something for everyone!



Excerpted and adapted from “8 easy ways to get more reading done in 2017” by E. CE Miller, *Bustle*, Mar 27, 2017

## LIBRARY NOTES

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

### Easy Ways to Get More Reading Done

Do you find yourself thinking there are never enough hours in the day for all the reading you want to do? The truth is the desire-to-read versus the time-allotted-for-reading struggle is real. If you've ever wondered how you can get more reading done, here are a few tips.

- Curate that TBR pile mindfully – With endless reading challenges, book lists, and occasional bookstore and library visits, it's tempting to add everything to your pile. But if you take extra care to make sure your to-read queue is only filled with the books you really, really want to read, you'll be more likely to actually read them.
- Invoke the Pomodoro Method – This time management method was designed to help you eliminate burnout, manage distractions, and work well within the time you have. To start, set a timer for 25 minutes, then read until the timer goes off. Not only will this help you better focus on what you're reading, but it will also help you realize how many pockets of free time you have throughout the day, just right for adding a little book love into your life: half your lunch hour, carpooling, even adding an extra 25 minutes of free time in the morning or before you go to sleep. Those minutes will add up to entire books before you know it.
- Binge read – This is my personal favorite! You're already an expert at binge watching. So now take those hours you're spending on Netflix and reallocate them to binge reading instead. So easy, and maybe more fun.
- Join a book club - Joining a book club is a great way to step up your reading game. From online book clubs to the real-life, in-person kind, joining a book club will not only get you reading more, but it might also even introduce you to books that wouldn't have landed in your TBR pile otherwise. Check with your local library for suggestions.

**Summer Music Schedule sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

**Any questions talk with Pastor Middernacht.**



## CAMP MT LUTHER

### CAMP MOUNT LUTHER DAY CAMP

Awesome God, Awesome Love

Plans are well underway for our Camp Mt. Luther Day Camp at Zion. Camp comes the week of July 23-27, Monday Through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The camp is for youth who have completed Kindergarten through eighth grade. Youth will be divided into groups by grade levels Kindergarten through third, fourth through sixth, and seventh through eighth. Camp Mt. Luther will be sending four trained staff members to lead youth in games, sports, Bible study, singing, crafts, and worship. Lunch is included with the camp and the registration fee is only \$20. There are many ways that you can help this year.

You can send us campers. Please invite friends, relatives, and neighbors to come to camp. Registration forms will soon be available at the church, and you can also have folks call the church office so we can send them a form. Who do you know that could benefit from a week of camp?

Please check out our donation trees appearing in the church narthex. Cut-outs hanging from the branches can be chosen to guide you in making donations of craft items, snacks, and funds.

Consider being a host family to one or more of our counselors. They are wonderful young men and women and you will be glad you offered them hospitality. We have five counselors to house this year.

We need adults who are willing to help with the craft table, registering and dismissing campers each day, and preparing lunches and snacks. We need teens who have completed at least 10th grade to assist our counselors throughout the day in guiding our campers.



#### 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.

#### 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 MOUNT LUTHER**



## Current Fund Daily Expenses

Balance brought forward (4/30/18)	10,752.33	18,595.63
	<b>MAY</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Monthly Contributions	18,607.00	103,746.92
Monthly Disbursements	19,255.54	111,090.29
Balance (5/31/18)	9,812.79	9,812.79
Building Fund—\$12,418.35		
Nave Improvement—\$43,227.00		
Organ Fund—\$27,095.00		

## May Attendance

Total Congregational attendance at services:  
 8:00 am - 264  
 10:30 am - 200  
 Saturday Evening - 45  
 Wednesday Prayer - 52

### 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.

The church has access to the following:

- Electric Hospital Bed and Mattress
- Walker
- Beside Commode
- Wheelchair

Let the office know if you have a need for any of these items.

# JOLLY BUNCH

Jolly Bunch will meet July 11, 2018 at 10:30 am.  
Bishop Collins will discuss Lutheran World Federation and things you may not know about it.  
We will be going to Allenwood Café for our lunch.  
Join us for a time of fellowship and socializing.

## Shut-in members with Birthdays in June

Alice Durlin—9<sup>th</sup>  
Joyce Snyder—17<sup>th</sup>  
Dodie Day—23<sup>rd</sup>

**WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF  
ANOTHER COUNCIL MEMBER TO  
FILL UNTIL DECEMBER 2019,  
PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER  
SERVING IN THIS WAY.**

## **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*  
*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*

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

***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*



***July Newsletter***  
*deadline is*  
***July 11, 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***

***Synod USS Ark Want to keep up with the Upper Susquehanna Synod news? Here is the link***

***<http://www.uss-elca.org/uss-ark/>***

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  
Freda Keefer - 10/13  
Joyce McCollum—12/2  
Maxine Reimensnyder – 12/20  
Elizabeth Sampsell

**Wolf Run – Hughesville**

Joyce Snyder – 6/17

**Watsontown Rehab—Watsontown**

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

## WARRIOR RUN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

JULY

**TOMATOES** - It's tomato time, but have you seen any ripe ones in your garden as yet? Many of us got our gardens in rather late due to the inclement weather but we can certainly anticipate the enjoyment of red, ripe tomatoes in the near future. Nothing tastes better when they are fresh from our garden. In the meantime, let us shop for the non-perishable kind, those in cans. There are so many uses for canned tomatoes such as in soups, casseroles, sauces or just served as a tasty side dish. So, when you are shopping in July, think 'tomatoes' and purchase some cans for our friends. Bring whole tomatoes, crushed tomatoes or any tomato product such as tomato juice, tomato paste, or perhaps tomato sauce. July is tomato time for us; let us bring tomatoes.

