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Make every effort

to keep the unity of

the Spirit through

the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:3, NIV

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Dear friends in Christ,

From the earliest days of the church, the season of Lent was meant to be a time of preparation for those who would be receiving the sacrament of Holy Baptism at the Great Vigil of Easter. The gospel lessons read at Sunday worship were chosen to provide instruction around the themes of baptism and salvation for those baptismal candidates, as well as the rest of the gathered community. Through many years of preaching these lessons and talking about them with baptismal candidates I have developed a deep appreciation for the treasures they hold.

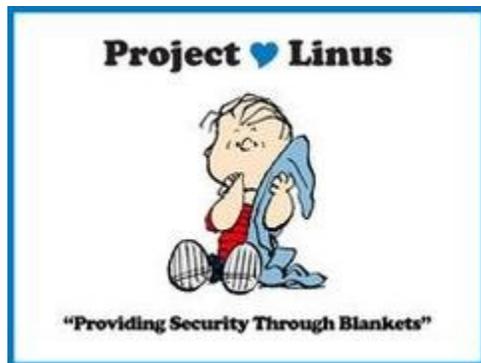
In the first story, Jesus is tempted, a universal experience for those who turn their hearts towards God. He turns away each temptation with the power of scripture. Next, Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night with many questions; already highly educated but curious about what more Jesus has to offer. Then Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well, a broken person who is rejected in relationships with husbands and her community. Jesus recognizes her pain and gives her new hope for living. Jesus also encounters a man born blind who is shunned by his community who see infirmity as a punishment for sin. Jesus restores his sight and the man sees Jesus as the Lord God, while the community remain spiritually blind. Lastly, Lazarus dies and Jesus must comfort the sisters of his good friend. Raising Lazarus from the tomb, Jesus commands those who were gathered to remove his grave clothes and let him go.

“Happiness Is A Warm Blanket”

Project Linus is a non-profit organization that provides home-made blankets to children in need. The blankets are lovingly made by adults and children from all walks of life and many different sources. The organization’s first mission is to provide love, a sense of security, warmth, and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer “blanketeers.” Secondly, this mission provides a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children. Since 1995, Project Linus has provided 7,784,696 blankets nationwide to hurting children.

Our area has a local chapter, Project Linus Central Susquehanna Valley, that serves a six-county area including Union, Snyder, Northumberland, Montour, Columbia, and lower Lycoming counties. Since its beginning in 2000, this chapter has provided 23,308 blankets to local organizations such as Geisinger’s Weis Children’s Center, UPMC-Williamsport children’s pediatric unit, Family Promise homeless shelter, and Columbia County Children & Youth.

Blankets can be sewn, quilted, crocheted, or knitted. Don’t have those skills? No problem! No-Sew fleece blankets are also a popular option. If you are interested in becoming a “blanketeer” for Project Linus, an organizational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, at 4:00 PM in the nave overflow section. If you can’t make the meeting but are still interested in participating in this group, please contact Ann Gardner (570-546-5880). Let’s help to *blanket* children in need with our love and caring!



In all of these stories, we may very well identify with the people who meet Jesus and are changed by him. While reviewing these stories yet again this year, I was taken by the way that Jesus reached out to the people who were experiencing the struggles. My intention this year is to preach on these stories, holding up how Jesus approached their struggles with understanding and love. Perhaps as we share in these stories again this year, we might be inspired to reach out to persons with similar struggles equipped with the love that only Jesus Christ can give. My proclamation this Lent will focus on how we may reach out to: the Tempted, the Curious, the Broken, the Blinded, and the Grieving.

As the baptized people of God, we are the body of Christ and we are commissioned to reach out to people with struggles such as these. May we learn from the approach of Jesus to walk with people in the midst of their struggles. In the words of Saint Teresa of Avila (1515-1582):

*“Christ has no body now on earth but yours;
no hands but yours; no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ
must look out on the world.
Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good.
Yours are the hands with which He is to bless His people.”*

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Roux

Stephen Ministry at Zion

Sunday Sermon Series for Lent 2020

“Reaching Out: A Loving Touch to Struggling People”

- March 1 – “Reaching Out to the Tempted”
Matthew 4:1-11 – Jesus is tempted in the wilderness.
- March 8 – “Reaching Out to the Curious”
John 3:1-17 – Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night.
- March 15 – “Reaching Out to the Broken”
John 4:5-42 – The Samaritan woman meets Jesus at the well.
- March 22 – “Reaching Out to the Blinded”
John 9:1-41 – Jesus opens the eyes of the man born blind.
- March 29 – “Reaching Out to the Grieving”
John 11:1-45 – Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.

Midweek Lenten Worship 2020 Sermon Series

We gather at 7:00 pm every Wednesday for Vespers, the Service of
Holden Evening Prayer.

The theme for our worship comes from Ephesians 4:1-16:
“Maintaining the Unity of the Spirit”

- March 4 – “Worthy of Our Calling”
Ephesians 4:1-3 shows us that God has called us to Christlike conduct.
- March 11 - “Unity”
Ephesians 4:4-6 shows us the biblical foundation of unity in the church.
- March 18 - “The Measure of Christ's Gift”
Ephesians 4:7-10 teaches us that Christ has given spiritual gifts to each believer.
- March 25 - “How Christ Grows His Church”
Ephesians 4:7-14 shows us how Christ grows his church.
- April 1 - “Growing Up”
Ephesians 4:15-16 teaches one more way Christ grows his church.

What is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is a system through which members of Zion are trained and organized to help provide Christian caregiving to members of our congregation and community. This will multiply the amount of caring ministry Zion can provide by giving us a whole team of skilled caregivers who are equipped to bring Christ’s healing love to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing other stresses in life.

Who Benefits from Stephen Ministry?

Everybody benefits from Stephen Ministry. Those receiving care from Stephen Ministers benefit because they receive prayer and support throughout the crisis they face. Stephen Ministers benefit through the spiritual growth they experience from being involved in meaningful ministry. Our pastor benefits because caring ministry at Zion is expanded. And fewer people will slip through the cracks. Most of all *you* benefit from the knowledge that special care is available to you should you need it. In addition, you now have a place where you can refer a friend, neighbor, coworker, relative, or anyone else you know who is going through a difficult time so that they can receive special care when they need it most. Stephen Ministry makes Zion a much more caring place!

Who are Stephen Ministers?

Stephen Ministers are members of Zion who have gone through 50 hours of training to provide high-quality Christian care to individuals experiencing a crisis or challenge such as divorce, grief, loss of a job, hospitalization, relocation, or loneliness. Stephen Ministers are each assigned a care receiver and meet with that care receivers for about an hour a week. This caring relationship will last for as long as the care receiver needs it. If you would like more information on how to become a Stephen Minister or to receive care from one, please talk to Valli Rovenolt, Pastor Elkin, or Pastor Roux.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

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 st Sunday of month
E-K	2 nd Sunday of month
L-R	3 rd Sunday of month
S-Z	4 th Sunday of month

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



JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

✦ SOUP AND SANDWICH—6:00 pm

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

✦ WORSHIP—7:00 pm

We will gather in the nave for Holden Evening Prayer.

THE LENTEN JOURNEY

“Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.” These words from Joel 2:13 frame our observance of the season of Lent. In Lent, we acknowledge that we are simply dust and ashes without Christ, and that we must confess our sins to God and follow Christ to the cross and resurrection, where we will be made whole again.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday, giving us a forty day season in which we return to God. Sundays are not reckoned in our counting of the forty days because they are considered the “Lord’s Day,” the day of resurrection. The forty days recall Jesus spending forty days in the wilderness after his baptism, a time he spent fasting, praying, and resisting temptation, just as we are called to do during Lent.

Three disciplines are traditional to the Lenten season:

- Fasting by skipping a meal once a week or abstaining from certain foods allows our hunger to remind us of God, our Creator, who is the source of everything we have. It is also a reminder that as followers of Jesus we are to spend more time feeding on the Word of God. As Jesus said to the tempter in the wilderness, “One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”
- Prayer makes time for us to be in relationship with our Savior who loves us. It is our responsibility to make a place and time to quiet down and put our attention on Jesus, to recognize that he is God, that he is King, and that we must surrender to him. Prayer is an intentional return to the LORD, our God.
- Almsgiving is the tradition of giving something extra to the church, the poor and needy, or to charities and service organizations. Such giving is a way to remember that Jesus gave up everything to save us from, sin, death, and the devil and to free us to live a new life in him.

As we keep Lent through fasting, prayer, and almsgiving we turn away from our selfish attachments and toward a God that grants us grace, mercy, and abundant love.

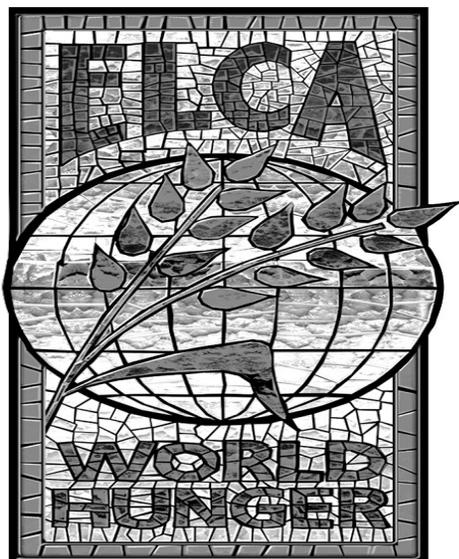
ELCA WORLD HUNGER AND DISASTER RELIEF RESPONSE

Nearly 1 billion of our neighbors—one in eight people in our world today—live in poverty. God calls us to see them—to respond. Working with our neighbors in 44 states in this country and throughout 57 countries around the world, the ELCA World Hunger begins by listening to the needs of our neighbors and getting their ideas about how to break this cycle of hunger and poverty then providing various programs such as:

- Soup kitchens, food pantries, community gardens, agriculture programs
- Safe water for drinking, growing crops, sanitation and hygiene
- Income generating activities and microloans to help pay for essentials like food, medical costs
- Clinics and community health programs and medical assistance
- Removal of barriers so that children and adults are able to attend school
- Healing and renewal for those who have experienced disasters
- Support for the malaria campaign to overcome this preventable disease

Our gifts are needed to support all these programs. Let us take up the challenge to end hunger and poverty by our continuing support through ELCA World Hunger.

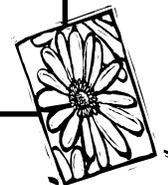
Our campaign begins Sunday, March 1st. As you entered for worship you will be given an envelope in which to place your offering. These will be gathered on Palm Sunday, April 5th. Each Sunday during this Lenten season, your bulletin will contain a short story describing some of the above activities. Please read them prayerfully and then consider how you can help.



Altar Flowers sponsors are needed for April 26; May 3, 17; June 7; July 19, 26; August 16, 23, 30; November 15, 29; December 13. The price per set is \$30.00. The flower chart is located on the bulletin board in the hallway outside of the church office. Please check for availability.

Easter Flowers

Members interested in providing Easter Flowers to decorate the church should place your order on March 15th, 22nd and the last day to place your order will be March 29th. We request that payment be made when you place your order in the narthex with a member of our Worship and Music Committee. Or call the church office. Flowers available are Lilies, Tulips, Hyacinths and Mums the cost is \$10.00.



Reading improves empathy. Research shows that reading actually makes you more empathetic. If you are able to put yourself in another's shoes, this will lead to greater understanding. Hopefully, in the long run, that can help us work to create a better, fairer world, and thus, a happier one.

You don't have to spend money to read. Thanks to libraries, you can borrow books for free! The phrase "free books" is certainly a happy one.

Reading can help you sleep better. Because of the many health benefits of reading, books can actually help you sleep better. Since reading helps with stress relief, the faster you can de-stress, the faster you can fall asleep. Rather than carrying around all the stress of the day when you crawl into bed, picking up a book allows you to let go of the things hindering your mind and body from relaxing and sleeping well.

You can meet new friends. Whether you're discussing books online or participating in a book club, you can find new friends by bonding over literature. These social connections will boost your happiness, and you'll get to read even more.

Books can open your mind. Books can lead to an open mind, which will increase your happiness. You can become more tolerant and less prejudiced by reading, according to a study in the *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*.

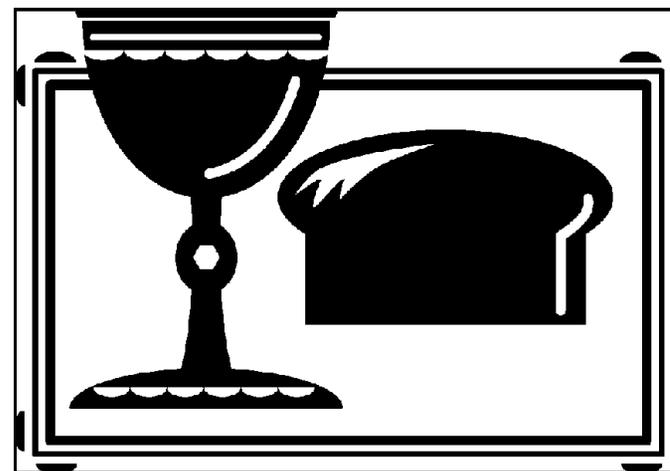
Reading can reduce depression. According to a UK study, readers are "21% less likely to experience feelings of depression." Books are literally happiness boosters, so read on!

GET HAPPY by discovering great reads available in the library and on the bookshelves in the narthex. Check-out period is two weeks.

Excerpted and adapted from "10 Reasons Reading Makes You Feel Happier, In Case You Need Another Excuse to Buy Books" by Julia Seales, Bustle, November 23, 2016.

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, April 9. Classes will be held at 11:00 am on Saturdays, March 14, 21, 28 and April 4. Parents are asked to attend with their children and godparents are invited, too. If you are interested, please speak with Pastor Roux.



NAVE RENEWAL FUNDING REPORT

We thank the many faithful members of Zion who have given to the nave renewal project over the past two years. We also thank the diligent efforts of the Fund-raising team. They have provided many opportunities for our congregation to work on fund raising projects. Smart planning, hard work, and good fellowship have proved to be very fruitful.

Nave Renewal Giving and Fundraising Totals by Year

2018

Giving	\$15,271.00
Fundraising	<u>11,667.64</u>
Total	\$26,939.36

2019

Giving	\$19,389.00
Fundraising	<u>18,038.12</u>
Total	\$37,427.12

2020

Giving	\$2,801.00
Fundraising	<u>6,999.65</u>
Total	\$9,800.65

March 2018 – February 2020

Total Raised **\$74,167.13**

Funds available for Nave Renewal 2/18/2020
(Includes the \$74,167.13 Giving and Fundraising amount above.)

Nave Improvement Fund	\$95,996.07
Memorial Fund	<u>\$23,222.00</u>
	\$119,218.07

LIBRARY NOTES

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

Reasons Reading Makes You Feel Happier

Stephen King once said, “Books are a uniquely portable magic.” George R. R. Martin states that “a reader lives a thousand lives before he dies... the man who never reads lives only one.” And J.K. Rowling perhaps summed it up best when she said that “If you don’t like to read, you haven’t found the right book.”

So many writers and readers have professed their love of reading, and if you’re a fellow booklover, you can relate to their statements. There’s something magical about opening a book and leaving the real world behind. When times are difficult, or you are going through a painful experience, or you just want to escape, the worlds in books are always waiting for you.

Are literary worlds truly magic, or are there actual reasons why you feel happier while reading? Even after closing the cover of a book, you may notice that you are calmer and ready to tackle life. Whether you read for relaxation, motivation, or pure escapism, the truth is reading can actually make you happier.

You can travel without physically going anywhere. If what you really want to do is go on an extended vacation, but you're unable to do so, reading is a great way to escape without actually leaving your seat.

Reading reduces stress. Stress can be a major factor in unhappiness, but reading helps relieve some tension. You can reduce your stress by reading for just six minutes at a time. Imagine how amazing you'd feel if you read for six hours!

Reading can put you in a trance. "Reading has been shown to put our brains into a pleasurable trance-like state, similar to meditation, and it brings the same health benefits of deep relaxation and inner calm," according to the *New Yorker*. Nothing promotes happiness like inner calm. And apparently, nothing promotes inner calm like reading a great book.



Thank you to everyone who **helped** with the Oyster Supper in every way from baking pies, cooking, serving and also consuming the Oyster Stew. It was another successful Oyster Supper.

Larry Kocher



Preschool Registration

Preschool registration are being accepted for 2020/2021 school year. If you know of children who wish to apply or have questions contact the church office.

CAN YOU HELP 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.



Office Help

Detailed Summary of Fundraising

Beginning March 2018			
29 givers - Donations		15,271.72	
Fundraisers			
March Fish Dinner		799.09	
Mothers Dinner		613.38	
December Fish Dinner		1,451.00	
Paint Party		638.00	
Pancake Breakfast		335.65	
Carnival Money		7,830.52	
		11,667.64	\$26,939.36
2019			
40 givers - Donations		19,389.00	
Carnival		8,275.00	
Mission Mall		25.00	
Fundraisers			
Basket Raffle		205.00	
Soup Sale January & February 2019		3,548.00	
Wendy's 1/14/19		141.53	
Wendy's 7/15/19		158.31	
Fish Dinner 3/16/19		828.34	
Spring Paint Party 4/28/19		155.00	
Mother's Dinner 5/5/19		455.00	
Craft Fair		400.00	
Craft Fair Vendor Raffle		175.00	
Craft Fair Food		408.00	
August Fest 8/17/19		277.00	
Pot Pie Dinner 10/19/19		998.98	
Roast Beef Dinner 11/16/19		997.29	
Fish Dinner 12/21/19		990.67	
		18,038.12	\$37,427.12
As of February 18, 2020			
37 Givers - Donations to date 2/18/20		2,801.00	
Fundraisers			
Soup		4,189.43	
Raffle		2,810.22	
		6,999.65	\$9,800.65
Total of Giving and Fundraising March 2018 to February 2020			\$74,167.13



**Nave Renewal
Day of Visioning
March 8, 2020
9:15 am**

Current Fund Daily Expenses		
Balance brought forward (12/31/19)	7,971.00	7,971.00
	February	YTD
Monthly Contributions	18,732.89	18,732.89
Monthly Disbursements	21,795.41	21,795.41
Balance (1/31/20)	5,216.48	5,216.48
Building Fund—\$12,895.96 Nave Improvement—\$91,153.81		

Nave Renewal Update

Drew Potts, Pastor Roux and Rohn and Associates Design have worked with Gray Builders to revise the plans to meet our budget. We are finalizing all elements of the renewal and will be able to project the complete cost very soon. As always, if you have any questions, please ask Pastor Roux or Drew Potts, Chairman of the Nave Renewal Committee.

January Attendance

Total Congregational attendance at services:

8:00 am - 225
10:30 am - 170
Saturday Evening - 59
Wednesday Prayer - 45

Wednesday Prayer Service

Our Wednesday Prayer services are held 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. Join us for prayer on Wednesdays.



ZION YOUTH GROUP

We invite all youth 5th through 12th grades to join us. Group builders, devotions, games, projects, and food are part of every meeting. Next meeting is Sunday, March 8th at 5:00 pm for NEON NIGHT.

IS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGING ?

We need your help to maintain our church records and to keep in touch with you. If your address has changed please notify the church office. You can call 570-649-5195 or email us your new address

zionlc39@windstream.net

We are being charged for every item that is returned to us due to an incorrect address, even 911 changes.



Girl Scout Sunday March 29, 2020

We welcome the Girl Scouts to worship at the 10:30 am service and they will offer a special song. Their cookie fundraiser will be held between services. Which cookie is your favorite?



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.

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 15th 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.



2020 Summer Schedule

Week	Dates	Pioneers (Completed Grades K-2)	Juniors (Completed Grades 3-5)	Intermediates (Completed Grades 6-8)	Senior High (Completed Grades 9-11)
1	June 14-18 (end on Thursday)			Confirmation Camp	
2	June 21-26	Retro Day Camp	Retro Day Camp	Night Owls	Senior High X-Teen (Ten Day ends on June 30)
			Night Owls		
		Mini Junior Base Camp (June 21-23)			
3	June 28-July 1	Family Camp for all ages (ends at 12:00 p.m. on July 1)			
4	July 5-10	Paws	Tracks	Tracks	Off-Site Adventure
		Mini Pioneer Base Camp (July 5-7)		Off-Site Adventure	
5	July 12-17	Pick-A-Day(s) Day Camp (Ages 3- 3rd Grade)	Elective Explosion!	Elective Explosion!	Intern
6	July 19-24		New Things	New Things	Intern
			Nomads	SURE	
7	July 27-31	Off-Site Day Camps			
8	Aug 2-4	Pick-A-Day(s) Day Camp (Aug 3-4)	Mini Junior Base Camp	Outdoor Quest*	
		Mini Pioneer Base Camp			

REGISTER ON-LINE! GO TO www.campmountluther.org

Please note: if you register on-line, you still need to get a health form filled out and signed by a doctor.

You can also get a list of items to bring to camp on our website.



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 E-Mail: cml@campmountluther.org

COMMITTEES AT A GLANCE

MONDAY

Disaster Relief Team 1st Monday at 6:30 pm
 Jeff Furman—Chairperson

TUESDAY

Outreach 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm
 Pastor Roux-Chairperson
 Marvene Crawford—Council Rep
Stewardship 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm
 Barry Durlin-Chairperson
 —Council Rep

Property 4th Tuesday at 7:00 pm
 Lynn Watson and Lee Bieber— Co-Chairs
 Karrie Ravert—Council Rep
Social Ministry 4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm
 Rick Rovenolt-Chairperson
 Dennis Webb—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
 Leon Hagenbuch—Council Rep
Staff Support Meets went needed
 -Chairperson
 John Myers—Council Rep

SUNDAY

Christian Education meets quarterly
 Jeff Furman—Council Rep

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

Mary Kauffman, Council President

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

Rick Rovenolt, Custodian

Office Hours: M-F 8:30 am to 4:30 pm - 570-649-5195

Church e-mail: zionlc39@windstream.net

Church website: zionturbotville.com

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

Prayer Chain Anchors:

Call before 9:00 pm

Team 1 Barbara Zettlemoyer 649-5358

Team 2 Clissie Sheatler 437-2215

Team 3 Martha and Lauren Weidner 649-5438

Team 4 Brenda Reasner 649-5749



Upcoming Fundraising Events Mark Your Calendars

Zion Church Soup Sale

Delivery March 2nd (Orders turned in by Thursday February 27th)

Italian Wedding Soup

Loaded Potato Soup

Back by popular demand—Broccoli Cheese Soup

Please turn the order form into Lori Dyer
by emailing: dyer4fam@windstream.net or
call cell: 570-337-1015



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Saturday, March 21st
4:00—7:00 pm

ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Meal includes:

Haddock Fried or Baked
Mac & Cheese
Stewed Tomatoes
Harvard Beets
Cole Slaw
Rolls and Dessert

Adults - \$12.00
Children Age 5-12 \$8.00
Children 4 and under Free



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 worship on Saturday, March 7 will include "The Laying on of Hands and Anointing with Oil" for those who wish to receive this healing ministry.* 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.

WARRIOR RUN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

MARCH

PEACHES! Yummy, delicious, juicy canned peaches to help us think "Spring" and to give us a preview of warmer days, flowers, green grass and fresh fruit. Fresh peaches may not yet be available in our markets but we do have the availability of canned fruit. We can serve canned peaches in many ways, with cottage cheese perhaps or try them chopped in fruit salad. They even make a lovely fruit cobbler. So, this month let us look for peaches on our grocery shelves; bring them sliced or whole, in heavy or light syrup, in large or small cans and any brand. All are welcome. It may seem a long way to summertime fruit but we can still have this tasty fruit on our tables. Please bring peaches in March.

Please remember in your prayers our members who are homebound,
in nursing homes or assisted living, and the military:

Birthdays are listed

At Home

Janet Reasner - 1/5

Freda Keefer- 10/13

Dulcinea Eck—11/1

Elizabeth Sampsell 11/7

Maxine Reimensnyder - 12/20

Watsontown Rehab—Watsontown

Eleanor Trefsgger -9/21

Wolf Run - Hughesville

Joyce Snyder - 6/17

Rockwell- Milton

Dodie Day - 6/23

Manor Care North - Williamsport

Janice Metzger 4/15

Elmcroft—Montoursville

Phil Bower 12/30

Elmcroft—Lewisburg

Alice Durlin - 6/9

Riverwoods - Lewisburg

Gladys Durlin - 2/26

Joan Webb - 10/10

Nottingham Village - Northumberland

Joyce Osman - 2/27

Joyce McCollum - 12/2

Military -

R. Scott Keister-3/12

Christopher Keister-4/2

Alisha Cox Welch - 12/16

John Rump-3/26

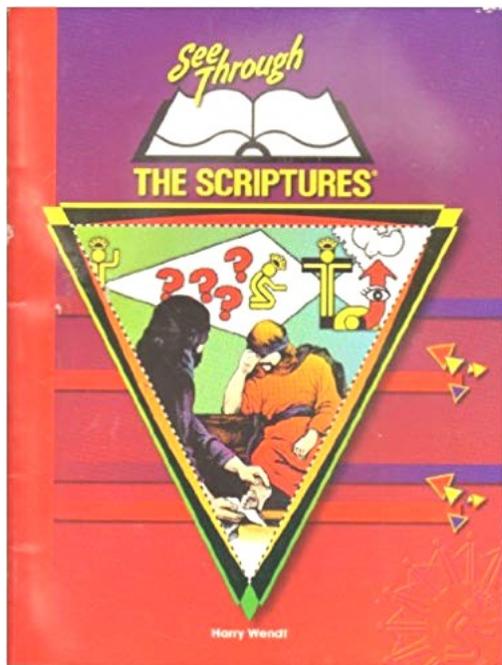
Keenan Young—6/27

**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.



JOLLY BUNCH

Jolly Bunch will meet March 11th. Pastor Roux will take you on a journey called "See Through the Scriptures." This Power Point presentation moves from Adam to Jesus, an outline of the major elements of the Biblical story.

Lunch spot to be determined.

Mark your calendar for our next gathering on April 15th
(Please note the date change).

Jolly Bunch members with Birthdays in March

Lenora Soffel—12th
Terry Gardner 26th
Bruce Zettlemyer—27th
Shirley Edwards—28th

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

March Newsletter
deadline is
March 11, 2020

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.*

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