

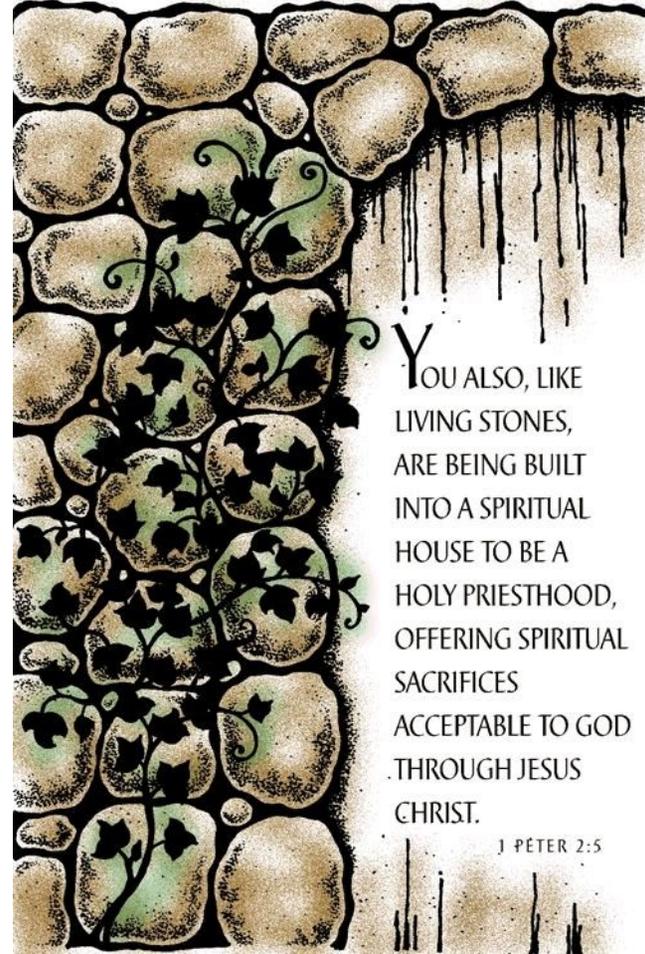
ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
39 PARADISE STREET
P. O. BOX 277
TURBOTVILLE, PA 17772-0277

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

165th ANNIVERSARY



THE ZION NEWS



YOU ALSO, LIKE
LIVING STONES,
ARE BEING BUILT
INTO A SPIRITUAL
HOUSE TO BE A
HOLY PRIESTHOOD,
OFFERING SPIRITUAL
SACRIFICES
ACCEPTABLE TO GOD
THROUGH JESUS
CHRIST.

1 PETER 2:5

PUBLICATION OF
ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
TURBOTVILLE, PA
MAY 2021

Dear friends in Christ,

We have good news to share! Our nave renewal project is nearly complete and we will be able to worship together in the nave on the weekend of May 30th at our regular worship times. We will plan our dedication liturgy later in the summer. In the meantime, it will be great to come together and get familiar with our renewed worship space.

I will be explaining how we will use the nave in announcements and sermons over the course of a few months. Our space was designed remembering the principle, "Form follows Function follows Faith." In other words, the physical form of the worship space helps us to accomplish specific functions. The functions are the ways in which we worship and they are based on our faith in God. As Lutherans who share the apostolic faith and tradition, we believe that God comes to us through the means of grace, namely the Word proclaimed and the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. So, our renewed space will help us to worship faithfully and receive the presence and blessing of God through the means of grace.

Here are some of the ways that the form of the building will assist the function of receiving the means of grace. One of the first things to notice is the spacious baptismal font area. Beautiful tiles on the floor create an octagonal baptistry with a hidden drain that will accommodate the baptism of adults and older children by pouring. The cross shape at the center of the baptistry will speak of the dying to sin and rising to new life that make baptism the sacrament of initiation into the Christian faith. As St. Paul writes, "Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:4) The large font will be filled with a generous amount of water. It will be a reminder that the forgiving waters of baptism reach out to touch us throughout our lives.

The next thing that draws attention is the altar table. The top of the table, called a "mensa," is made of marble, a reminder that Jesus Christ is the rock of our salvation. As St. Peter writes, "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." (1 Peter 2: 6) The table is at the center of a large octagonal platform, called a "predella." More than forty people at a time will be able to gather around the Lord's table for his supper, enhancing the experience that this is a family meal and Jesus welcomes us all. Standing around the altar table was the earliest custom of the church for the reception of Holy Communion and is a reminder that we are a resurrected people.



Joe Murray 90th Birthday Recognition

The children of Joe Murray would like to ask his church family at Zion to help recognize this milestone occasion by sending him birthday cards in celebration of this special day.

Joe's birthdate is June 25th and cards can be sent to his home address at:

**197 Fairview Road
Danville PA 17821**

Should you prefer to speak to Joe to extend birthday greetings feel free to call him at:
570-437-2478

Whatever the form of communication, he will certainly enjoy hearing from you!

Thanks, in advance, for participating in Joe's 90th birthday.

*The Murray Children
Bob, Cindy, Susan, John and Lana*





TURBOTVILLE PARADE Friday, June 11th

We need children to ride in our float and adults to walk with us to pass out Day Camp flyers. We meet starting at 6:00 p.m. On King Street for the 7:00 p.m. parade. This is a rain or shine event.

The place of the spoken Word will continue to be both pulpit and lectern. A single step up to the lectern, and two steps up to the pulpit, will allow lector and preacher to be within a sight line that is comfortable for the whole congregation. When the Word is spoken or sung in our renewed space it will be heard. A renewed sound system will direct speech directly over the pews. The acoustics are livelier and congregational singing will be an encouraging experience when the sound lives and is reflected throughout the space. The hearing of the Word is crucial for our faith as St. Paul writes, “So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the Word of Christ.” (Romans 10:17)

We welcome everyone back into our renewed worship space and we encourage you to notice how the form encourages our faithful reception of the means of grace. Over time the way that we move around the space and use it to proclaim the gospel will become familiar to us. May we use it to gather the faithful and newcomers alike, sharing the life and salvation that comes only through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Roux



CAMP MOUNT LUTHER DAY CAMP RETURNS!

The theme of our Camp Mt. Luther Day Camp at Zion will be “Generation to Generation.” Camp comes the week of July 26-30, 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 soon. Cut-outs hanging from the tree can be chosen to guide you in making donations of craft items, snacks, and funds.

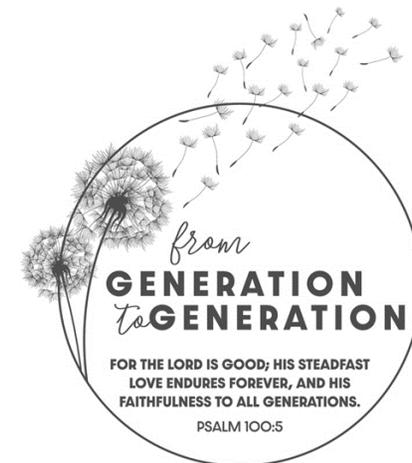
Consider being a host family to one or more of our counselors. They are wonderful young men and women and you will be glad you offered them hospitality.

We 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.

We pray that God will raise up youth to attend, strengthen the staff and helpers, and that our revival of Day Camp this year will be a success.

Summer Office Hours

Our church office will be closed on Fridays, beginning May 28 through October 29 except for the newsletter Fridays.





Entrance Doors in Need of Repair

The entrance doors that open into our parking lot that are framed by beautiful stained glass need repair. The door jambs and hinges are no longer secure and need replacement. Replacement of these parts would be a temporary fix. The Church Council has voted to receive bids on replacing the entire door system and replacing it with handicapped accessible doors. These would include panic bars for safety and a remote button operated opening system. This project will help to make our church truly handicapped accessible. Donations to this project would be greatly appreciated.

Turbotville Community Carnival: June 7st—12th

Our next fundraiser is the carnival and for this event we need a lot of helpers. There are signups in the lobby of the church but you may also just email me at L.hartline@comcast.net. We are looking for servers, money takers, kitchen help, runners and people to bake pies. When emailing me, please let me know when and in what capacity you would like to help.

If you would prefer to give a monetary donation, please designate the donation in the memo line to the "Zion Carnival". If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Hartline 570-716-3850.

Carnival runs from Monday June 7th through Saturday June 12th with servers needed from 5:30 – 9:30 nightly.

I wanted to let everyone know how we made out at the roast beef dinner. We sold over 200 meals - way to go!

Income -	\$2,104.00
Expenses -	<u>\$417.58</u>
Profit	\$1,686.42



Thanks everyone that helped with this fundraising event.

Leslie Hartline



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.



Turbotville Community Vacation Bible School Rocky Railway – Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through! June 27th - July 1st, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

A summer kids' event called Rocky Railway VBS will be hosted at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 39 Paradise Street, Turbotville. Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs.

Rocky Railway is for kids from Preschool to 6th Grade and will run from Sunday, June 27th to Thursday, July 1st, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm each day. For more information, call (570) 649-5195, or pick up a registration form at church, or register online at vbspro.events/p/turbotville.

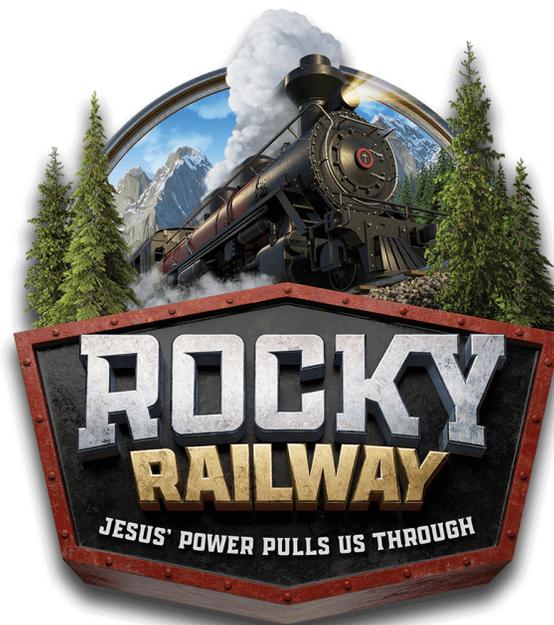
Rocky Railway VBS Helpers Needed!

We need adults and teenage helpers to make our Vacation Bible School a success. We need teens to help with leading participants from station to station. We also need adults to help with the craft table, serving snacks, and recreation. If you can help, please contact Pastor Roux at (570) 437-9058 or (570) 916-6264 or call the Church Office at (570) 649-5195



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



The Scholarship Fund Committee proudly announces that monies will be available for scholarship applicants for the fall semester 2021. The scholarship is a one-time gift per applicant to be awarded after the student completes the second semester of an approved college degree program. **Student must provide:**

- A fully completed and signed application form to the church office by **June 1, 2021**
- Copy of first semester transcripts.
- Recent snapshot/school picture.

Payment will go directly to the college address provided on the application.

Application forms are available through the church office.



June

- 6 Courtney Hamm/Jeff Furman/John Myers
- 13 Leon Hagenbuch/Ursula Leinbach/Dennis Webb
- 20 Mark Reasner/Drew Potts/John Myers
- 27 Marvene Crawford/Courtney Hamm/Ursula Leinbach

JOLLY BUNCH

I am thinking about ideas for a meeting when we can indeed get back together. Till then, know that I miss all of you very much.
HUGS to all.
Marie



Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers sponsors are needed

- May 30
- July 18, 25
- August 15, 29
- October 3, 17, 31
- November 14, 28
- December 19

The price per set is \$30.00 (2 altar vases). The flower chart is located on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please check for availability.

VEGETABLES - Let's turn our thoughts to vegetables and think "snap beans". Let us look on the grocer's shelves for cans of



snap beans to bring home for our neighbors. These may be yellow or green, cut or whole, or perhaps French-style, in large or small cans. All sizes, all varieties are appreciated and most welcome.

Donations may be dropped off at the church narthex.

**WARRIOR RUN
NEIGHBORS
HELPING
NEIGHBORS**

Ways to Be the Church during this Challenging Time

Ways to Care

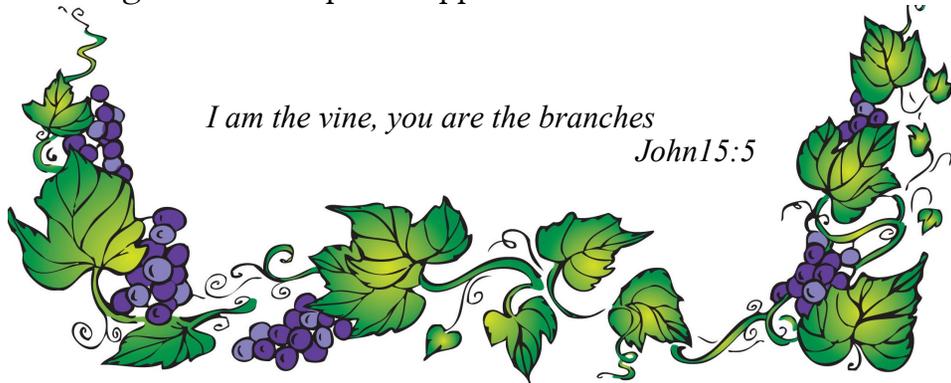
- Pray for our world, our leaders, and our medical caregivers. Follow the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and our civic leaders.
- Check on family, friends, the elderly, and those most vulnerable in our community.
- Let the Zion community know where we can help with needs.

Ways to Worship

- Read your Bible, sing favorite hymns, and pray.
- Watch for worship posts Sundays on our YouTube Channel: Zion Turbotville
 - ~Watch our 10:30 am worship service live streamed on our Facebook page.
- Also look for posts on our Facebook page and website.
 - ~Facebook: Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church (Turbotville PA)
 - ~Website: zionturbotville.com
 - ~ YouTube Channel: Zion Turbotville

Ways to Give to Zion

- Offerings will be received at our regular worship times. By mailing your offering to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, P O Box 277, Turbotville, PA 17772
- Monday—Friday 8:30 am—4:30 pm for days to drop off offering envelopes in the narthex.
- Via the Zion website located at www.zionturbotville.com. Just click on the yellow button that reads “Donate online to support Zion Evangelical”
- Through the mobile phone app: GivePlus



Amber Axtman

WARRIOR RUN

College or High School Students

Zion members graduating from college or high school are asked to let us know at the church office about their graduation. Please provide us with address changes so we can keep up communication, and let us know what your future plans are.

Warrior Run High School



Sunday, May 30th
6:30 pm (note time change)
at Zion

Project Squirrel is just what it sounds like; founders Wendy Jackson and Joel Brown want to know all about the bushy-tailed, tree-climbing rodents in your life. Begun in 1997 in the Chicago suburbs, the movement has grown to include all states. By contributing observations of squirrels from homes, offices, schools, or parks, Citizen Scientists aid a better understanding of neighborhood ecosystems. <https://projectsquirrel.org/index.shtml>

Looking for more of a laboratory vibe? **Sourdough for Science** may be just the thing you knead. After creating a sourdough starter, participants measure the height and pH for two weeks, tracking the growth and sharing it with scientists. This is part of the Global Sourdough Project, which hopes to understand which species are contained in various starters. By understanding this, the hope is to eventually understand the factors that influence why a community lives in one starter relative to another and why and how your starter differs from others.

<http://studentsdiscover.org/lesson/sourdough-for-science/>

Globe at Night is an international campaign to raise awareness of the impact of light pollution. By downloading the Loss of the Night app on your phone or by submitting your data via computer, you will be joining people from 180 countries who for the last 14 years documented the real problem of night-time light pollution, which not only affects the circadian rhythms of humans but animal migratory patterns, especially nocturnal species.

<https://www.globeatnight.org/>

Brood X Cicadas Tracking the cicadas is as easy as snapping a photo. Anyone with a smartphone can download the free Cicada Safari app to help with data collection. Once the media is uploaded the app automatically captures the time, date, and geographical coordinates. Once the images are verified, the information is mapped. <https://cicadasafari.org/>



Excerpted and adapted from "Getting Started with Citizen Science" by Jennifer Dayton, *Library Journal*, May 10, 2021.

Join us for a Livestream of our 10:30 am
worship on our Facebook Page:
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church (Turbotville PA)



Join us for prerecorded worship on Sundays by accessing our
Youtube channel: Zion Turbotville
Worship videos are available by 8:00 am



If you are unable to join us in person or online please request
worship bulletins, sermons, and CD's of recorded
worship services from Pastor Roux (570) 437-9058.
We will be glad to provide them weekly.

**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.

LIBRARY NOTES

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

Getting Started with Citizen Science

With the rapid development of vaccines to thwart a pandemic, a road map to deal with the effects of climate change, and new treatments for life-threatening diseases, we have a deepened respect for scientists. Want to pitch in and help these dedicated, hard-working individuals? Well, you can by becoming a citizen scientist.

Citizen science, sometimes called crowd-sourced science or civic science, features volunteers participating in scientific research. A citizen scientist gathers data that is combined with data obtained by thousands of other citizen scientists to show patterns that help us better understand nature. You can be any age and don't need specialized training to become a Citizen Scientist (P.S. These can be great projects for kids!). These programs are examples of how members of the public can make a difference.

Audubon Christmas Bird Count was a direct result of the new conservation movement begun in 1900. In prior years, there was a tradition of Christmas Day hunts with the goal of accumulating the biggest pile of feathers and fur. Ornithologist Frank M. Chapman proposed a different sort of hunt—to count instead of kill and note how many different avian species one could see. Carried on to this day, people can begin signing up in November to participate in the count, which runs from December 15 to January 5. Collected data provide biologists and wildlife agencies a detailed snapshot which is helpful in the study of birds and the environment. **<https://www.audubon.org/conservation/science/christmas-bird-count>**

Pennsylvania iMapInvasives In 2017 the Pennsylvania Natural Heritage Program (PNHP) received funding from the Wild Resources Conservation Program to determine invasive plants likely to arrive in Pennsylvania over the next ten years, species considered "emerging threats" to the Commonwealth. The project identified 12 species, each of which are highlighted in a brochure created by the PNHP. Citizen scientists and natural resource professionals are encouraged to be on the lookout for these species and report their findings to iMapInvasives. **<https://www.paimapinvasives.org/be-on-the-lookout>**

Your offerings are needed now more than ever

You may continue to send your weekly offerings to Zion in one or more of the following ways:

- Offerings will be received at our regular worship times.
- By mailing your offering to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, P O Box 277, Turbotville, PA 17772;
- Via the Zion website located at www.zionturbotville.com.
Just click on the yellow button that reads "Donate online to support Zion Evangelical"
- By dropping off your offering at the church
Monday—Friday 8:30 am—4:30 pm
- Through the mobile phone app: GivePlus



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

Birthdays are listed

At Home

Freda Keefer- 10/13

Dulcinea Eck—11/1

Elizabeth Sampsell 11/7

Maxine Reimensnyder - 12/20

Elmcroft—Montoursville

Phil Bower 12/30

Riverwoods - Lewisburg

Gladys Durlin - 2/26

Joan Webb - 10/10

Nottingham Village - Northumberland

Joyce Osman - 2/27

Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village—Lewisburg

William Wesner—8/8

Military -

R. Scott Keister-3/12

Christopher Keister-4/2

Pete Reasner—11/28

John Rump-3/26

Keenan Young—6/27

Alisha Cox Welch - 12/16

PASTOR AVAILABLE

Please feel free to contact Pastor Roux at any
time for telephone conversations. You may reach
him at his home at 570-437-9058.

If he is not available, please leave a message and
he will return it as soon as possible.

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

June Newsletter

deadline is

June 9, 2021

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

Website: zionturbotville.com

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

YouTube channel: [Zion Turbotville](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

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/>



Current Fund Daily Expenses

Balance brought forward (3/30/21)	21,869.17	25,547.82
	April	YTD
Monthly Contributions	20,680.98	82,861.54
Monthly Disbursements	20,532.50	84,775.02
Balance (3/30/21)	21,825.65	21,825.65

Building Fund—\$10,797.05
Nave Improvement—\$41,728.04

Pews Available

We have extra pews that were removed for our renovation and replaced with chair seating. We are offering to make shorter length pews with the original pew ends for those who are interested in owning one.

Let us know the overall length and quantity you need and we will cut the pew and reinstall the ends. A donation of your choice to the nave Renewal Fund would be appreciated. If interested, contact Drew Potts at 570-412-4687.

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

Karrie Ravert, Council President

Michael Yohn, Organist

Rev. Kenneth Elkin, Organist

Rev. Steven Middernacht, Minister of Music

Cathy J. Kelley, Secretary

Jennifer Woland, Preschool Teacher

Pamela Armstrong, 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)

You Tube Channel: Zion Turbotville

Prayer Chain Anchors:

Call before 9:00 pm

Team 1 Barbara Zettlemyer 570-649-5358/570-850-3304

Team 2 Pat Sheatler 570-742-7550

Team 3 Barbara Hartline 570-538-2672

Team 4

Team 5 Brenda Reasner 570-847-8329