

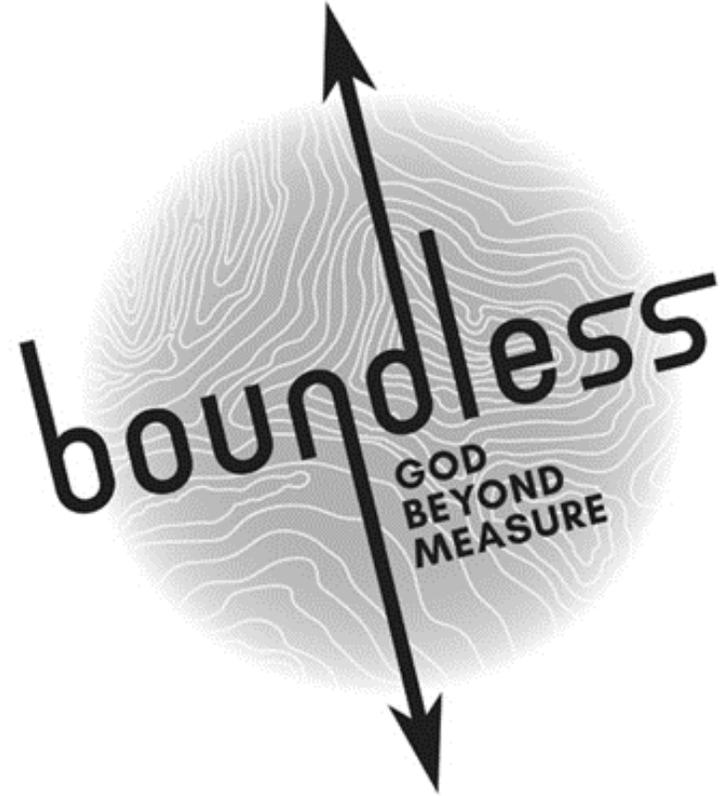
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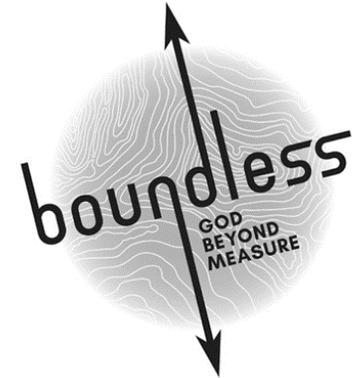


**Camp Mount Luther Day Camp
Monday, July 25th—Friday, July 29th
9:00 am—3:00 pm**

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CAMP MOUNT LUTHER DAY CAMP RETURNS!

This year's summer theme at Mount Luther is "Boundless: God Beyond Measure." We will enter the hopeful and saving story of God and God's people and experience the God's boundless creating, loving, and merciful power for us. Come and rediscover boundless goodness, love, welcome, forgiveness, and generosity. Camp comes the week of July 25-29, 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 three groups by grade levels. Camp Mt. Luther will be sending 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.

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.



CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

355 Mt. Luther Lane, Mifflinburg, PA 17844

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E-Mail: cml@campmountluther.org



*Pastor Roux will be on Vacation
July 4th through July 18th, 2022.
Mark Giesen will be our supply minister
July 9 & 10 and July 16 & 17.*



Summer Office Hours
*Our church office will be
closed on Fridays,
beginning May 27
through October 28
except for the newsletter
Fridays.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

As baptized children of God we learn to pray in all circumstances. We pray for ourselves, the people we love, and the people with whom we struggle. We pray to be shown the paths we are to take, and how to be a blessing in the world. We pray to our Father in heaven with confidence, because Jesus has taught us to pray.

Jesus gave us many teachings about asking and receiving from God the Father, “Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you.” (John 16:23)

Jesus also taught, “Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!” (Matthew 7:7–11)

Jesus also gives us this amazing promise: “Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.” (John 16:24).

We all have expectations and desires for our lives and we trust Jesus' promises about prayer, but many times it seems that our experiences are very different from what we have hoped and prayed. So, how do we deal with that? Do we whine and complain and bemoan our lot in life? Or is there some way to grow from the difficulties of life? More than that, what role does God have in helping us use those difficulties to grow in faith and strength and love?

Jesus, of all people, knew that some of the good gifts our loving Father gives in answer to our prayers arrive in ways we don't expect. When we receive them, we can be tempted to think the Father gave us a snake when we asked for a fish, not realizing until later the goodness of the gift we received.

Why would the Father do this? So that our joy may be full. So that we might grow. At first we may feel dismayed. What's happening? Did we do something wrong? Is God angry with us? We can also be tempted to doubt God's goodness. What kind of loving father would allow a child to experience pain when he asks for joy? The Father often lets us wrestle with that question for some time. But when the time is right, the growth that comes from struggle is revealed.

Now, we do not want to say that God causes all the pain in our lives. Suffering often comes as a consequence of our sins, or the sins of another person. Tragedies and accidents and illness strike. However, the Father can use suffering and teach us to grow because of it. In the book

of Lamentations we read, “Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.” Lamentations 3:32-33

The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews goes so far as to say that God the Father disciplines us: “We had human parents to discipline us, and we respected them. Should we not be even more willing to be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share his holiness. Now, discipline always seems painful rather than pleasant at the time, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.” (Hebrews 12: 9 –11)

In this life we will never have all the answers for why we suffer or why people whom we love suffer and experience pain. But it would benefit us to ask how God the Father might use our difficult experiences to teach us faith and strength and love. We benefit by learning to ask the question, “How can I grow from this?”

There is so much to ponder about our relationship with God and what God desires of us in this life, and how God will work in our lives to help us grow. To close, here is a very famous verse that is said to have been taken from the pocket of a Confederate soldier after he fell in battle during the Civil War. It has for many people been an inspiration as they have pondered the question, “How can I grow from this?”

*I asked God for strength, that I might achieve.
I was made weak, that I might learn humbly how to obey.
I asked for health, that I might do greater things.
I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.
I asked for riches, that I might be happy.
I was given poverty, that I might be wise.
I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men.
I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God.
I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life.
I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.
I got nothing that I asked for – but everything I had hoped for.
Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered.
I am, among all men, most richly blessed.*

May we always cling to the promise of Jesus, “Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.”

Yours in Christ, Pastor Roux

preschool registration



Preschool registrations are being accepted for 2022/2023 school year. If you know of children who wish to apply or have questions contact the church office.



Jacob Craig graduated from Warrior Run High School and will be entering the honors program at Susquehanna University in the Fall. He is excited to be a business student in the Sigmund Weis School of Business and to be playing in the band.

Kailey Betz graduated from Lycoming College with a degree in Business with a concentration in finance and a minor in accounting and photography. She now works at The Graphic Hive as a screen printer and runs the social media.

*We will celebrate our other graduates
in the next issue of the Zion News.*

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

Birthdays are listed

At Home

Robert Chaapel—4/21

Phyllis Chaapel—5/19

Irene Watson—9/27

Freda Keefer- 10/13

Dulcinea Eck - 11/1

Elizabeth Sampsell 11/7

Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village - Lewisburg

William Wesner - 8/8

Milton Rehab—Milton

Bobby Calhoun - 4/17

Muncy Valley - Muncy

John Pfleegor - 4/28

Nottingham Village - Northumberland

Joyce Osman - 2/27

Charlie Wright—3/19

River Woods - Lewisburg

Barbara Hartline - 11/8

Rockwell - Milton

Jeannette Calhoun - 11/1

Watsontown Rehab - Watsontown

Maxine Reimensnyder - 12/20

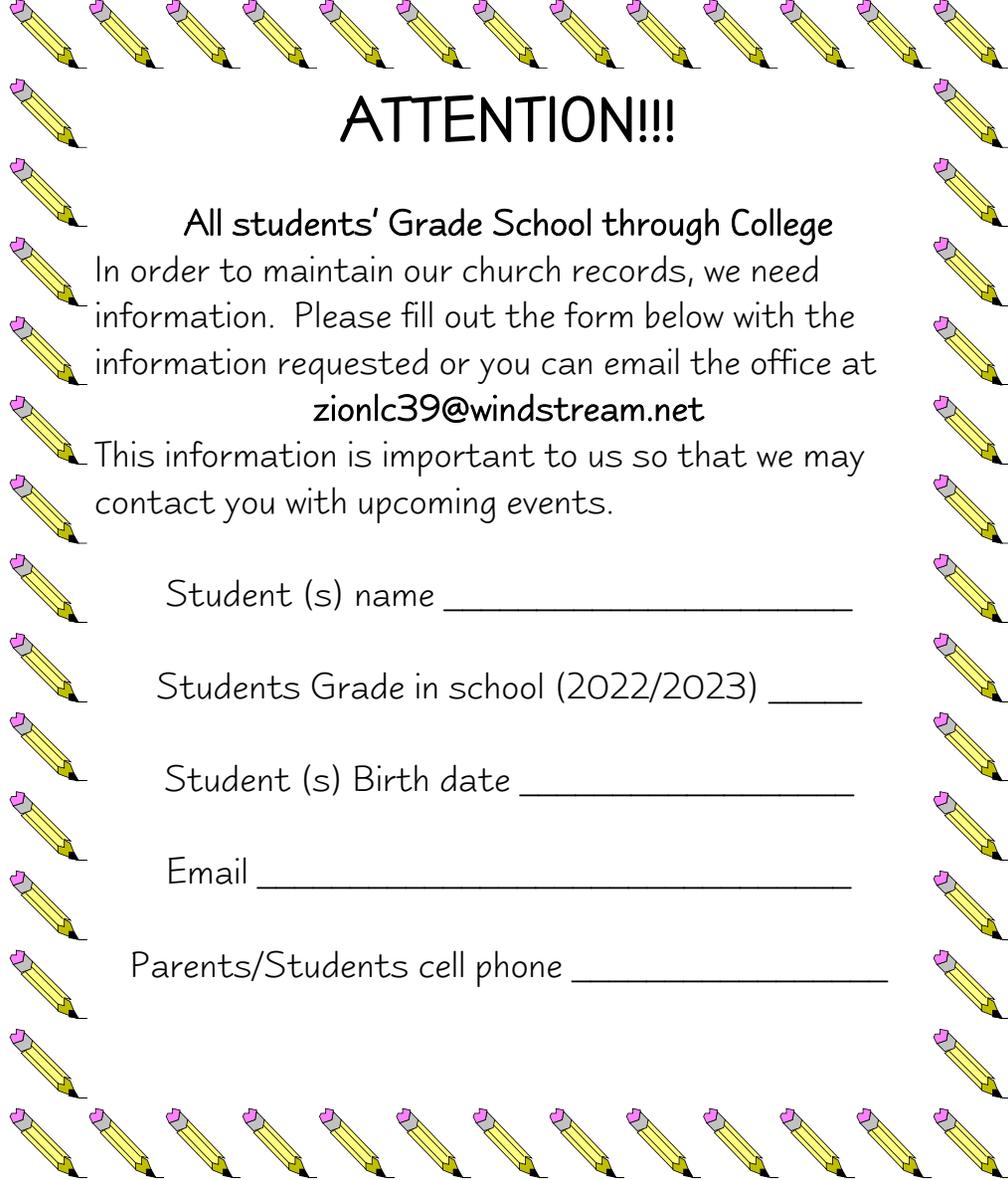
Mike Benfer

Military

Pete Reasner—11/28

PASTOR AVAILABLE

Please feel free to contact Pastor Roux at any time for telephone conversations or to schedule a visit. 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.



ATTENTION!!!

All students' Grade School through College

In order to maintain our church records, we need information. Please fill out the form below with the information requested or you can email the office at zionlc39@windstream.net

This information is important to us so that we may contact you with upcoming events.

Student (s) name _____

Students Grade in school (2022/2023) _____

Student (s) Birth date _____

Email _____

Parents/Students cell phone _____



Current Fund - Daily Expenses

Balance brought forward (4/30/22)	15,990.59	17,330.71
	May	YTD
Monthly Contributions	21,021.56	107,951.88
Monthly Disbursements	21,560.01	109,823.05
Balance (5/31/22)	15,260.14	15,260.14

Building Fund—\$12,119.29

Nave Improvement—\$10,890.00

Current Loan Balance as of 6/1/22 is \$226,805.42

Our Mission Goal for June is \$19,670.00

Your contributions for June so far are \$10,961.00

Thank you for your giving.

Our Mission Goal for July is \$20,193.00.

MAY ATTENDANCE

- Saturday Evening—36
- 8:00 am Worship Service—195
- 10:30 am Worship Service—205
- Wednesday Prayer Service—28
- Ascension Morning Worship—17
- Ascension Evening Worship—10

Livestream Is Available

Facebook Livestream Attendants Needed
for our 10:30 am worship service.

Contact John Yogodzinski at
(570)417-6737 or
john@thegraphichive.com

As part of our nave renovation, a Livestream video system was installed. The system allows us to broadcast our worship services live on Facebook. The system also records the service and it can be uploaded to our YouTube channel (Zion Turbotville) for viewing later. The Livestream system utilizes a simple video switcher like one might see in a television studio, and two wall mounted cameras. The switcher is designed to be user-friendly and can easily be learned. Some Photoshop skills would also be helpful in taking on this task. Please consider becoming a Livestream attendant at Zion. John Yogodzinski and Karrie Ravert will train you and help you to feel confident in the work. You would then be scheduled to operate the Livestream on Sundays of your choice.

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



The recorded 10:30 am worship service will be posted
on our Youtube channel: Zion Turbotville
immediately following the service.



July Newsletter
deadline is
July 13, 2022

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
YouTube channel: Zion Turbotville
Check out the pictures on Facebook

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



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.

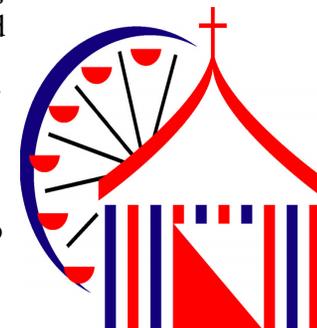
An authorization form is available from the church office.



The Zion Fundraising committee appreciates all who came to the Turbotville Carnival and visited our food stand. Your attendance and support have played an important role in our fundraiser's success – and we had an amazing turnout!

We would also like to thank all of those who helped out this year. We had a wonderful team of volunteers who cooked, served the food, cleaned the kitchen and baked the pies and without all our

helpers we would not be able to continue to offer all the amazing food options.



With sincere gratitude,
The Fundraising Committee



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

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.



Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers sponsors are needed for 2022. The price per set is \$35.00. We ask that there is only one set per Sunday: one set is two altar vases.

Altar Flower sponsors are needed for the following Sundays:

- July 31
- August 14
- November 13

WARRIOR RUN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

TOMATOES – It's tomato time, but have you seen any ripe ones in your garden as yet? In the meantime, let's 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.

Donations may be dropped off at the church narthex.

