



Lutheran Church

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APRIL 2020

Worship

Sundays} 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Saturdays} 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School

All ages 9:30 a.m.

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. KOK Rehearsal

Wednesdays:

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays:

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

4/4: Egg Hunt(Lutheran Home)

4/5: CCI Meeting

4/6: SOLO

4/7: Tenebrae Service (St. John)

4/8: Property Board Meeting

4/9: Lenten Lunch(Zion) Note date change

4/9: Maundy Thursday Service

4/10: Good Friday Service

4/11: Easter Vigil

4/12: Easter Sunday (w/ Easter Breakfast

4/16: CPC Meeting

4/18: Ignite the Y

4/19: Children & Family Board

4/21: NYG Committee Meeting

4/22: CR@ZY

4/23: Women's Supper

4/24: Game Night

4/25: Faith Riders

4/28: Ruth Circle

4/28: Stephen Ministry



I write to you on Friday, March 20. It has been a grueling week of daily modifications amidst the coronavirus pandemic. Only a short time ago this virus felt far off, but it is now encroaching in on Blair County and life is being altered in ways none of us have ever experienced. Our reactions broadly range from uncertainty, anxiety, panic, fear, denial, and compliance. As the church we will continue to navigate these changing times to the best of our ability. Most importantly, we will call on and worship God in this period of need.

At Zion we are doing our best to plan for the future. It is hard to know if our period of "social-distancing" will elongate, but Zion will continue to be in compliance with the government's current and future demands. I consider this a form of faithful ministry as we do our part to minister to each other and all the world by not spreading contagion. With that mindset, we must continue to build our calendar and schedule for the future.

As of this printing everything in this newsletter is up to date. For those of you with internet access, I implore you to stay connected through our website (zionholidaysburg.org) or our Facebook page. Should you have questions, needs, or pastoral care concerns, do not hesitate to reach out to me by phone or email. The staff at Zion will minister to you to the best of our ability despite the barriers that have been constructed.

This morning I was remembering the comforting words of faith found in the hymn *Day by Day* (WOV hymnal 746). Throughout my life, hymn lyrics have always been one of my best devotional tools, connecting the sanctity of scripture with the beauty of music. I invite you to read through these lyrics as they offer assurance of faith in the midst of life's turbulence.

Day by day, I know you will provide me
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace,
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
till in glory I behold your face.

Day by Day, stanza 2. WOVS 746

Day by day we will get through this period of unrest. Day by day the mercies of God will attend us. Day by day our faith will pull us through. Please know, that day by day, my prayers and concerns reach out for each of you. Be safe, heed the advice of our professionals, and reach out to one another as our days progress.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Dave

Notes of Thanks!

Dear Zion Lutheran,

Thank you for the \$100.00 gift to the Hollidaysburg Area Public Library, recently presented to us by Kathy Mathias. This gift will be used to purchase items for our children's room. We appreciate your gift.

Janet Eldred

Dear Zion Lutheran Friends,

Thank you so much for providing such a wonderful Valentines Day!!

You always go above and beyond to make this a very special and meaningful program for our consumers, and this year was no exception—everyone was just blown away by your generosity!!

Your support and thoughtfulness for our community members who have very little by way of financial means & social support means the world to them, and to us!

Thank you so much,

Lisa Moyer

Dear Lisa, John & every dear Soul at Zion Lutheran,

On behalf of the family, we want to take a moment to express heartfelt thanks to all of you. What a tremendous amount of supplies, topped with money for food! We are amazed and touched by your kindness. These are the moments that make our jobs worthwhile—the times when we not only see love in action, but are also blessed to be a part of coordinating it. The mother you donated to is so grateful for your generosity—these gifts, seemingly ordinary household supplies, are the things we take for granted, things which are so needed, yet can be so costly. Your donation has made it possible for her to start with a clean slate, quite literally!

Thank you, thank you, thank you! May the love you put out into the world be returned to you tenfold.

Sincerely,

Koelle Williams, Blair County Head Start

Dear Friends of Zion,

Thank you to all of those who helped with the Caring Tree project this year. Your generosity was most appreciated by the seniors who range in age from 65 to 90 years of age and are on very limited incomes still living independently with the help of Blair Senior Services. They were interviewed by their caseworkers and expressed their needs. Some of the requests were more expensive than in past years, but through your thoughtful purchases we were able to present them with much needed items. Thank you so much for reaching out to help with this very worthy need in our community.

The Adult Board

To the parishoners of Zion:

Thank you so much for including us in your Pancake Supper! We appreciate the transportation to get there, the delicious food & certainly the warm hospitality! We always appreciate Zion as family.

Thank you,

The staff & residents of the Lutheran Home

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd,

Thank you so very much for your recent donation to The Tiger Pack Program at Frankstown Elementary. We currently send 38 back packs home with students over

the weekend. We include two breakfast items, lunch items, and dinner items as well as snacks and milk.

Your generous gift will allow us to purchase items like pudding, oatmeal, and fruit. Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Christine Pavlock, FKS Tiger Pack Coordinator

Thanks to all of you who came to my surprise birthday party in the Fellowship Hall after the February 29 Saturday evening church service. At this stage in my life it's comforting to be surrounded by so many wonderful brothers and sisters in Christ. God bless all of you.

Jim Rhodes

Thank you for coordinating the Friday, March 6, 2020 blood drive. We were very pleased with the drive overall, and the willingness of the donors to share this life saving gift.

The efforts of Zion Lutheran Church have always been greatly appreciated and their support of the community blood program will go a long way toward replenishing blood supplies and ultimately saving lives.

In addition, we very much appreciate your efforts during this crucial time. You may be interested to know that 19 donors registered, 2 donors were deferred and 20 units were collected.

Again, thank you for your contribution and ongoing support of this important community program. I look forward to working with you again next year.

Sincerely,

Kristy Replogle, Field Representative, American Red Cross



NEEDY CAMPER FUND

In the past, Zion has raised funds to help send those in need to Camp Sequanota for a week. Through the years, Zion's response to this request for funds has allowed us to help send youth from our community and church to Summer Camp. We again invite you to contribute to this fund as the camp season approaches. To do so, simply mark "Needy Camper" on your check or on your offering envelope, or bring your donation to the church office. Thank you for your generosity.



EASTER EGG HUNT

Zion will be participating in the Community Easter Egg Hunt this year, which will be held at the Lutheran Home starting at **10:00 a.m. on April 4th**. The event is open to **children up to age 11**.

There will be light refreshments following the hunt. Hope to see you there! **(Youth helpers are asked to arrive at 9:00 a.m. at the home to help set-up.)**



LENTEN LUNCHES

April 9 (Note: Last Lenten Lunch is Thursday, not Good Friday)

Here at Zion

Sponsored by the Hollidaysburg Ministerium. These luncheons are open to the public. Each week a local clergy will bring a short devotional message and a local congregation will prepare a light luncheon. A free will offering is collected. Any money collected above expenses is donated to the American Rescue Workers. Everyone is welcome! Please plan to attend!

Easter Breakfast

Easter Morning Breakfast

Once again we will be having an Easter Breakfast here at Zion. Breakfast will begin at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday School hour between services. Watch for a sign-up card in your bulletins or call the church office. Please plan to attend and enjoy fellowship on Easter Morning.

Holy Week Tenebrae Service

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church has invited Zion to participate in their annual Holy Week Tenebrae service on Tuesday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae services are reflective in nature, weaving together an array of scripture and prayers concerning Jesus' death on the cross. You are encouraged to attend. St. John has also asked if a member of our congregation would like to participate as a lector in the service. If you would like to read as a lector in the service, please contact Pastor Dave.

Holy Week at Zion

April 5th through April 12th

Palm Sunday services at 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 PM

Good Friday service at 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 6:00 PM (Begins in the Chapel)

Easter Sunday services at 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Easter Breakfast at 9:30 AM

EASTER BREAKFAST HELP NEEDED—

The Activities Board is looking for some help with the Easter Breakfast for the congregation. **Areas of opportunity are setting up the meal on Sunday morning, and clean-up after the meal.** If you are interested, please contact Michele Lloyd (Activities Board) or call the church office at 695-0091. Remember, having more people helping will allow everyone an opportunity to attend worship and enjoy good food and fellowship at the breakfast.



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SATURDAY, APRIL
7:00PM-9:30PM 18TH

@BLAIR REGIONAL YMCA
1111 HEWIT ST, HOLLIDAYSBURG

All 7th-12th
Graders
Welcome!

Dance room. open
gym. food. games.
space to hang out.
bounce house. a
message. and more!

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FLAMINGO FLOCK 2020

Our favorite pink birds are back for the Spring of 2020! Be aware that you might find your front lawn inhabited by our flock of friends. You will receive a note with instructions if you get "flocked". The birds usually stay in the same place for 3-5 days. This feathered fundraiser supports Zion's youth going to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in the summer of 2021. *(Please let us know at the church office, 695-0091, if you would prefer to be on a 'no flock' list)*



CR@ZY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CR@ZY. EVERY 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 7:00-8:30 P.M. (UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE) FOR ALL YOUTH IN 7TH THRU 12TH GRADE!

April Dates:

4/22 — Meet at 6:45 p.m.
Going to First UMC



Camp Sequanota



Be sure to visit www.sequanota.com or pick up a camp brochure in the church office or on the youth bulletin board outside the fellowship hall to see this summer's programs for children and youth! Registration is online. Take special note of **Confirmation Camp, Week 3, and Week 4!** Ryan and Pastor Dave will be on site for Confirmation Camp, Ryan will be on site for Week 3, and Pastor Dave will be on site for Week 4. Reminder: Zion pays the entire fee for Confirmation Camp.

SUMMER 2020

In the Summer of 2020, Zion is covering the entire Tier II fee for any Sequanota Camp program for all Zion children and youth (one Sequanota program per child or youth).

Game Night

Zion Game Night

Friday, April 24th at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner: Potluck

Please bring a dish or two to share. As always,
all are welcome!!

Spring Women's Dinner

The Spring Women's Dinner will be held at Jethro's, April 23, at 6:00 p.m. We will order from the menu. Janet Eldred, director of the Hollidaysburg Library, will be our speaker. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board across from the library. Hope to see you there!



Garden Club

Do you have a green thumb? Do you have a passion for flowers and a hatred for weeds? The Property Committee is forming a Garden Club to help care for Zion's flower beds. If you are interested in participating please contact Sara Fralish at 8144-944-1786,

4th thru 12th Grade Retreat

And Sequanota Service Work Projects
*with Zion work crew (more info soon)

Games, lessons, and lots of fun for
4th-6th Graders AND 7th-12th Graders!

Friday, May 1st @ 6:30pm-
Sunday, May 3rd-mid afternoon

At Camp
Sequanota!
in the Bowersox Enrichment Center

MEET AT CHURCH

Friends Welcome!



Watch for Youth-Sign up in the bulletin and
information on how to join us for work projects (all
ages welcome for work projects) call 695-0091 with questions

Arts in Recovery 2019

Friday, May 15th at 7:00pm
in the fellowship hall

Zion is once again hosting Arts in Recovery this May. This event is sponsored by the Zion Faith Partners, Rise for Recovery Blair County, and Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships. The evening will include poetry, music, and visual art submissions that celebrate the gift of recovery here in our community. We will be hosting individuals and clients from local treatment facilities and the recovery community, but **all are welcome** to attend this uplifting event!

Anyone is also welcome to make a submission (music, poetry, visual art, etc.). Contact Ryan at the church office (695-0091) or by email at ryncust@gmail.com with any questions.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



4/5-4/12 HOLY WEEK (SERVICES INCLUDE PALM SUNDAY, MAUNDY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER VIGIL, & EASTER SUNDAY)

4/12 EASTER BREAKFAST (9:30 A.M. DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR)

5/17 ANNUAL MEETING

5/17 BACCALAUREATE

6/7 BEGIN SUMMER SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE WITH ONE SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M. SATURDAY SERVICE WILL REMAIN THE SAME AT 6:00 P.M.

6/7-11 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (AT ZION)

6/14 CONFIRMATION CAMP

7/10 ZION FAMILY CAMP

8/15 RECOVERY WALK

8/30 RETURN TO REGULAR SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE WITH TWO SERVICES AT 8:00 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

8/30 RALLY DAY

9/13 CHURCH PICNIC AT LEGION PARK

Annual Congregational Meeting

May 17, 2020 at 10:15 a.m.
Zion Fellowship Hall

Reminder: There will be one worship service on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Annual Congregational Meeting.



ONLINE GIVING

Are you tired of writing a check for your weekly offering (then forgetting it on the kitchen table)? Will you be away for the weekend, but still want to support Zion? Online giving is now an option!

Email giving@zionhollidaysburg.org and sign-up instructions will be emailed to you.

RUTH CIRCLE

April 28 - Nature Works Park (note day & date change)—We will meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. for the meeting and then go to the park. If the weather is enclément, the speaker will come to Zion at 10:30.

May 5 - Girl's Night Out

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

On April 17, 2020 our mother, Ruth Grubb will turn 95 years young! Her family invites you to join in a card shower to help her celebrate such a momentous milestone in her life. Her address is 1010 Spruce Street, Apartment 308, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. Our family thanks you in advance for your participation!



Summer Worship Schedule

We will begin our summer worship schedule on **June 7, 2020**. The Sunday service is scheduled for **9:30 a.m.** and will continue through **August 23, 2020**. We will resume our regular worship schedule on **August 30, 2020** at 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. which will also be Rally Day.

Saturday service will continue as usual at 6:00 p.m. throughout the Summer.

FINANCIAL REPORT General Fund

July 1, 2019 thru February 29, 2020

Income (Giving) \$227,054.21

Expenses 191,614.95

Income vs. Expenses (Giving Only)
\$ 35,439.26

(REMINDER: The above income figure reflects money given in the "Current Expenses" portion of your giving envelopes and undesignated loose offering only. Benevolence and money given to designated funds is not included.)

Edward Jones Investments

E J Account Value as of 2/28/20 \$466,601.15

Less Principal(initial investment) \$294,318.88

Value over principal as of 2/28/20 \$172,282.27



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Bishop Michael L. Rhyne

March 17, 2020

Gracious God, it is good for us to gather as your beloved in community. We treasure your presence with us in word and meal, song and prayer. Be with us in these days when gathering together as often as we would like is not possible. When we must be apart for reasons of safety, we trust that you surround us with your sheltering wings. Encourage us in connecting as we are able, reaching out to our neighbors in need and being persistent in prayer. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our constant companion. Amen. [From Prayers For A Time of Public Health Concern; ELCA]

Beloved in Christ,

In these uncertain days, I want to remind you God is with us. While we may not be gathering together in our church buildings, we can gather our prayers together for all those affected by the Covid-19 virus. I urge you to continue to pray for each other and for your pastor and congregational leaders as they try to make the best decisions possible in an unprecedented situation.

Your congregation may be one of the many in our Synod that runs on a very tight budget. Not holding worship for these next two Sundays could be a severe financial hardship. That is why I am strongly encouraging you to send your tithes and offerings to your congregation even if you cannot be there in person. You may do that electronically if your congregation is set up for online giving or you may mail your donation. Either way you choose to give, your gifts matter. They are important to the ministries of the congregation and the community.

Over and over again in times of distress in our nation we have seen people come together and unite behind the common cause of loving our neighbors. We watched it happen with 9-11, Hurricane Katrina and Sandy, and the shooting at the synagogue in Pittsburgh. In each of those incidences, the church boldly witnessed to the power of Christ's love, grace, and mercy. We have that same opportunity now. Sharing your gift with your congregation allows the love, grace, and mercy of Christ to be shared with those most in need.

Your congregation may be able to offer devotions, prayers, or worship experiences via electronic means over the next few weeks or by mail. Please take part as much as you are able and support each other as we move through this crisis.

Thank you for supporting your congregation and its ministry. Thank you for your prayers. Thank you for all the ways you witness to Christ's love in your life. You are making a difference.

May God continue to bless and keep you,

+ Bishop Michael L. Rhyne

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June
7th-11th

5:15-8:15pm

@ Zion Lutheran Church
500 Allegheny Street
Hollidaysburg

Begins with dinner!

Games, lessons, crafts, songs, FREE!

Toddlers-6th Grade
Register at 695-0091

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Congregational Leaders

Executive Director	
Jolene Kopriwa	695-0338
Treasurer	
Renetta Deremer	695-8327
Children & Family Board Director	
Dana Sollenberger	239-0500
Youth Board Director	
Tom Goetz	386-0838
Adult Board Director	
Kathy Goetz	934-2161
Worship Board Director	
Gail Nedimyer	943-6013
Finance Board Director	
Carol Frederick	693-0658
Stewardship Board Director	
Frank Ardizzone	695-3490
Communications Board Director	
Katie McCabe	380-3103
Property Board Director	
Shawn Restly	312-6211
Activities Board Director	
Continuous Church Improvement	
Kevin Naugle	696-3176
CPC Members-at-Large	
John Mancinelli	940-1744
Sally Williams	695-4148
Pastor	
Rev. David Bowman	330-8025
Youth Ministry Director	
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