

Lutheran Church

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JUNE & JULY 2022



Worship

Saturdays - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School

9:30 Sunday School for All Ages (Off for the Summer, will resume on Rally Day, 9/4)

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. KOK Chimers Rehearsal (Off for the Summer, will resume on Rally Day, 9/4)

Wednesdays:

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

Thursdays:

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS (Off for the Summer, will resume on 9/1)

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

6/8: Property Board Meeting **6/10:** Family Swim Party **6/11:** Synod Assembly **6/16:** CPC Meeting

6/19-23: Confirmation Camp

JULY HIGHLIGHTS

7/1: Kennywood7/4: IndependenceDay (Office Closed)7/8-12: Family Camp7/13: Property BoardMeeting

7/21: CPC Meeting **7/24-28:** Youth Mis-

sion Trip



I was fortunate as a child. My family had a pop-up camper, a full-sized van, and enough vacation time to hit the open road each summer. These summer trips were a blessing as I experienced God's creation, especially in our National Parks. Acadia, the Grand Tetons, the Smokies, Yellowstone, the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Mammoth Cave... these were the highlights of my summers and the experiences helped form me.

One of the gifts I discovered during these trips was the gift of curiosity. I was always eager to discover what delights were held at each location. Park Rangers either loved me or dreaded me because I was always THE participatory tour goer, never tiring of asking questions. I wanted to experience and learn as much as I could about these fantastic places.

Exploration is a wonderful trait of humanity. We are always seeking new frontiers. I give a little chuckle over the "First Frontier" stickers that I see in this area. It's hard to imagine that Hollidaysburg was once a frontier town, but at one point in time this place was new and exciting.

As Christians we always have a new frontier that we can explore and discover. It is a frontier filled with endless imagination and possibility. It is the frontier of God. Sure, God is not new, but God is never fully known to us and there is always more to unearth in our relationship of faith.

On rare occasions I've met people who never left the county in which they were born. THE COUNTY! I am both shocked and saddened by these circumstances, to have not traveled or explored. It would be a terrible thing if we lived with God in the same way—if we presumed we had no where to go and no where to grow in this thing called faith.

This summer, may the spirit of exploration find you, not simply in your travel plans, but also in your walk with God. Keep exploring the frontier of faith and see what joys are to be found.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Dave



THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you to everyone who helped with the property Spring Clean Up Day. We were able to clear a lot of unused items from the church and completely filled a very large dumpster! We also put down mulch around the church grounds. Things were beautified both inside and out. Thank you again for all your help!

Lutheran World Relief: War in Ukraine

Conflict in Ukraine has put millions of people in danger. As Ukrainians shelter from bomb blasts or flee their homes, many need medical attention, food, water and basic sanitation. Corus International has committed \$3 million to respond to this crisis, and we expect to increase this amount as we secure additional funding. Our Humanitarian Action team is working with partners to rapidly develop and implement programming based on shortand long-term needs. We are deploying additional technical staff to support our relief operations in Poland, including a team leader and a health specialist bringing together expertise from Corus organizations Lutheran World Relief, IMA World Health and CGA Technologies.

If you would like to give to Lutheran World Relief through your giving envelope, please mark the special section of your envelope "LWR Ukraine". Thank you

2022 Recovery Walk



Saturday, August 6th (morning & lunch)

Join Zion's Faith Partners (D&A Ministry team), local organizations, and community leaders for the 2022 Central PA Recovery Walk & Rally. Support those in recovery from addictions, family members, treatment professionals, and more! Beginning at Legion Park, finishing at the Courthouse, and ending with a lunch in Zion's fellowship hall. Registration begins at 10:00 am at Legion Park on 8/6. All ages are welcome, no sign-up or prior registration needed!



A Helping Hand

We are collecting gift cards to have on hand for families going through a rough time. They may be going through a medical situation that requires a lot of travel or just may be having some financial struggles. These families could use a helping hand with



things like food and fuel to help ease the burden and give them one less thing to worry about. If you would like to make a donation, what seems to work the best are Martins, Hometown Market, and Sheetz cards in \$10 to \$25 increments. Please bring the cards to the church office and we can get them to the families.



AFTERBURNER VOLUNTEERS!

As we look to the Fall and the potential return of our Afterburner youth ministry, our first job is to be sure we have enough adult volunteers to serve as chaperones. We need to have about 17 volunteer chaperones each time to safely hold Afterburners. Please prayerfully consider if this is a commitment you can make. Chaperones are primarily a set of eyes and remain available to respond as needed in the building.

Please contact Ryan at ryncust@gmail.com or call the church office at (814) 695-0091 by July 1st to add your name as a potential Afterburner volunteer.

Responding that you are willing to volunteer as a chaperone does not indicate an absolute commitment at this point to chaperone every Afterburner. However, those who respond in the affirmative are stating that they would intend to chaperone a majority of Afterburners.

Zion Afterburners are events held after home HAHS Varisty Football games for all 7th-12th Graders in the community. This has been a service that Zion has provided for our community by creating a safe and fun environment for local youth to gather on Friday evenings in the Fall. Chaperones are posted at various places inside and outside the church for

the safety of the youth. Chaperones generally serve from about 8:30pm-11:10pm. An average of 105 youth attended Afterburners in 2019.

Potential 2022 Schedule: 9/2, 9/16, 10/7, & 10/14



Zion Swim Party

Friday, June 10th at 7:00pm



Children, youth, their families, and Zion adults are invited for a Zion Summer Swim Party at the Naugle home on **Friday**, **June 10th at 7:00pm**. Come and join us for a fun evening together as church family! The party is to

celebrate the start of summer AND the completion of our 2022 Vacation Bible School (ends June 9th). The Naugle pool is at 611 Cedarcrest Drive in Duncansville (Penn Farms area).

Zion Family Camp

Friday, July 8th-Tuesday, July 12th (At Camp Sequanota's Bowersox Center)

Zion Family Camp is back for the summer of 2022! All are invited to take some time to be together in the beauty of Camp Sequanota and grow in faith. Attendees will stay in the comforta-



ble Bowersox Center ("hotel style" private rooms and bathrooms) as we play games, worship around a campfire, enjoy the outdoors, and much more. Each day will include bible studies and morning activities for children/youth and adults, free time for hiking or swimming or relaxing alone, campfire worship, and fun group games in the evenings. We will also have the opportunity to go canoeing and use the camp's climbing tower and zipline. Families (or individuals), sign up today. Space is limited! Arrival and "move in" time at Sequanota is Friday evening from 7:00-8:00pm, and we finish together in the late morning on Tuesday.

A schedule, packing list, and more information will be sent out to those who register. Let us know if you have any questions! Here is a sample schedule of what a day at Zion Family Camp might look like:

- 8:15am Breakfast
- 9:15am-Noon Bible Study & Morning Activities
- 12:30pm Lunch
- 1:00-5:30pm Free Time (Hiking, relaxing, swimming, climbing tower, etc.)
- 5:30pm Supper
- 6:45pm Skit Night
- 8:00pm Singing & Worship at Council Fire
- 9:30pm Snacks & Fellowship

Price is \$150 for adults, \$90 for youth (12-18), \$70 for children (5-11), and kids under 4 are free. (Price includes room and all meals) Watch for registration in the weekly bulletin or online registration in your email. Call the church office at (814) 695-0091 with any questions! Payment should made to the church office prior to Family Camp. Make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church".



Camp Sequanota 2022

Attention Zion children and youth!

Every summer Zion kids have an excellent time at a week of Sequanota's summer camping programs! There are camp programs for Elementary, Jr High, and Sr High youth. Swimming, hiking, campfires, games, crafts, good food, outdoor worship, and more! There are 8 weeks of camp to choose from between June and gust. Visit www.sequanota.com for program dates/descriptions AND to register your **child(ren).** (Let us know in the church office after you register!). Zion covers the fee for all of our children and youth to attend a Sequanota summer camp program (you can indicate this when registering online). Choose the week and program that works best for your child(ren)! Let us know if you have any questions.

Ryan Custead will be at camp and leading for Week 2 (Confirmation Camp, all Jr AND Sr High youth are invited to attend!): **June 19-23**

Pr. Dave will be at camp and leading for Week 3 (Camps for elementary, Jr, and Sr High youth): **June 26-July 1**



Zion Youth at Kennywood

(entering 6th-12th Grade) Friday, July 1st at 8:00 a.m.



Zion's <u>6th-12th</u>
<u>Grade</u> Youth are headed to Kennywood Theme Park on Friday, 7/1 with Ryan and Pastor Dave to meet friends from across

the Allegheny Synod for a fun day of rides, a bible study, and more! We will travel together in the church van, and will be gone from the morning until late night. Tickets are provided, friends are welcome! (youth will need money for food and snacks). Youth will meet at the church at 8:00 a.m. and return to the church around 12:30 a.m. Sign youth and friends by emailing Ryan ryncust@gmail.com or calling the church office at (814)695-0091. SIGN UP DEAD-LINE: Wednesday, June 22nd. Parents will receive a release and permission form to sign for youth after the sign up deadline.



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Fall start ups!

Zion Youth & Children

Cr@zy (7th-12th Graders): **Wednesday, 9/14** from <u>7:00-8:30pm</u>. Cr@zy

is Zion's regularly meeting 7th-12th Grade group. We do a variety of activities, bible studies, games, and service work throughout the year. **Meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, September-May.**

FaithFormers (preschool-3rd Grade): **Wednesday, 9/7**

from 4:30-5:30pm. FaithFormers is Zion's regularly meeting children's group. Fun games, crafts, songtime, bible studies, and more! **Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, September-May.**

Sunday School (all ages): Sunday, 9/4 from 9:30-10:30am. Join us for Rally Day (Sunday School kick-off) on September 4th, and then every Sunday after that. We have classes for children, Jr/Sr High Youth, and adults. Meets every Sunday, unless other-wise announced, September -May.

KOK Chimers (K-6th Grade): Sunday, 9/4 from 9:00-9:30am. The Kids of the Kingdom Chimers is our children's bell choir and music group. Children prepare music to offer during worship, learn lots of great music theory lessons, explore how we worship and praise God with music, and more! We also have lots of fun every week. The Chimers have class in the 2nd floor kids' music room. Meets every Sunday, unless otherwise announced, September-







MARK YOUR CALENDAR

8/21 CHURCH PICNIC (CHIMNEY ROCKS FOLLOW-ING 10:45 SERVICE) **9/4** RALLY DAY

9/9-11 ADULT RETREAT

(SEUANOTA)

9/25 YOUTH SUNDAY
10/9 OKTOBERFEST DINNER
10/30 REFORMATION SUNDAY & CONFIRMATION



FINANCIAL REPORT General Fund

July 1, 2021 thru April 30, 2022

Income (Giving) \$285,377.27 Expenses \$266,548.35 Income vs. Expenses (Giving Only)

\$18,828.92

(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 4/29/22 \$583 Less Principal (Designated) \$336 Value over principal as of 4/29/22 \$247

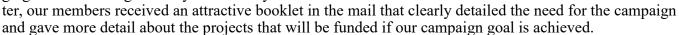
\$583,974.69 \$336,214.17 \$247,760.52

Target date for completion is July 1

Dedicated volunteers play a key role in capital campaign success

Zion Lutheran Church's first capital campaign since 1999 is in full-swing!

The \$350,000 "Renew, Restore and Rejuvenate" effort was kicked off during the annual congregational meeting on May 15. Shortly thereaf-



- These projects include:
- Replacement/repair of the church elevator
- Repairing plaster and painting the sanctuary
- Replacement of the carpet in the sanctuary
- Asbestos abatement and replacement of flooring in the narthex
- Renovation of Zion's six 50-year old restrooms
- Complete renovation of the church kitchen.

A group of trained volunteers has been quietly working behind the scenes to arrange in-home appointments where they are answering questions about the projects and obtaining pledges.

Over the past six weeks, pledges have already been obtained from the Congregational Planning Council (CPC), the members of the Capital Campaign Committee and those who are visiting members of the congregation in their homes. Pastor Dave has been spreading the word about the campaign during inhome visits and has been receiving pledges along the way.

"As soon as we reach our goal, work can begin on these six essential projects," said Tom Bradley, the campaign chairperson. "We encourage everyone to pray about this important congregational effort and be prepared to fill out their pledge cards when they are visited by our volunteers."

Pastor Dave noted, "The early response of our membership has been phenomenal. They realize the importance of this campaign, they've embraced it and are giving generously. As of May 31, our pledges total \$231,793."

He went on to say, "Our members realize that pledging over a three-year period can magnify their gifts and help us exceed our goal well before July 1."

Members of the Capital Campaign Committee include: Pastor David Bowman, Tom Bradley, Beverly Green, Jolene Kopriva, John Mancinelli and Sally Williams. Long-time member Clyde Black is serving as the honorary chairperson.



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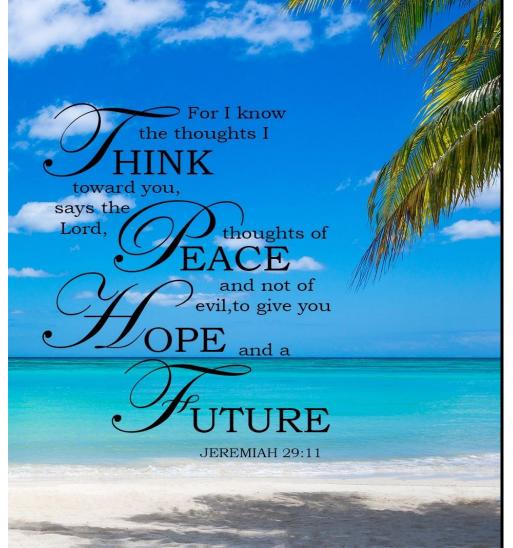
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