

# Lutheran Church

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# MID-MARCH & **APRIL 2022**

# Worship

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

# **Sunday School** 9:30 Sunday School for All Ages

# **Sundays:**

9:00 a.m. KOK Chimers Rehearsal

# Wednesdays:

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

# **Thursdays:**

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS

# **MID-MARCH HIGHLIGHTS**

3/15: Ruth Circle

3/17: CPC Meeting

3/18: Confirmation Night

3/23: Cr@zy

3/26: Zion Yard Sale

3/27: First Communion Training

# LOOKING AHEAD TO APRIL

4/3: First Communion Training

4/3: Confirmation Course (Make Up)

4/10: Palm Sunday

4/13: Property Board Meeting

4/13: Cr@zy

4/14: Maundy Thursday

4/15: Good Friday

4/16: Holy Saturday

**4/17:** Easter Sunday

**4/18:** Easter Breakfast

4/18: Easter Monday ~ Office Closed

4/19: Ruth Circle

4/21: CPC Meeting

4/23: Family Day-Pittsburgh

4/27: Cr@zy





# Clyde Black will serve as honorary capital campaign chairperson

Zion's Capital Campaign Committee is pleased to announce that long-time member Clyde Black has agreed to serve as the honorary chairperson of the "Renew, Restore, Rejuvenate" effort to raise \$350,000 for six essential projects this year.

Clyde and his late wife, Rita, joined Zion in 1965 when he began his work as an attorney at the Hollidaysburg law firm known then as Patterson and

Evey. Their daughter, Jennifer, was two years old at the time and son, Brian, was born in 1966.

The Black family quickly became involved in the church. Clyde was active in the choir, Rita participated in a variety of organizations for the women of Zion, and the children were regular attendees at Sunday School and Vacation Bible School among other activities.

"Since we came to Hollidaysburg in 1965, this structure has been our church home," Clyde noted.

A graduate of Gettysburg College and the Dickinson School of Law, Clyde was a partner in the Evey Black Attorneys firm from 1966-2017. In addition to church activities at Zion, he has served a variety of local organizations over the years including Penn State Altoona; Nason Hospital; the Roaring Spring YMCA; the Blair County Chapter of the American Red Cross; the Hollidaysburg Rotary Club; Allegheny Lutheran Home; and Blair Senior Services. He also served on the Board of Trustees at Gettysburg College where he was chairperson five

The Black family participated in the 1970 capital campaign which led to the construction of the three-story structure attached to the sanctuary which has accommodated Zion's educational, social and community ministries for the past 52 years. They also took part in the last campaign in 1999.

"The members of Zion in the past have always been loving stewards and have risen and answered the call to preserve and protect this building. Now it's our turn," Clyde emphasized.

He went on to say, "The capital campaign booklet everyone will soon receive spells out in wonderful detail what needs to be done now in order for this church to be here for generations to come. This is exactly what we do with our personal homes!"

"What matters for each of us is that we give to this project. It's not how much each of us gives, but rather that each of us demonstrates his or her love for our Savior and this place because it is so much a part of our lives."

Zion's Capital Campaign Committee is comprised of Pastor David Bowman, Tom Bradley, Jolene Kopriva, John Mancinelli, and Sally Williams.

# Notes of Thanks!

Dear Friends of Zion.

Your generosity and caring ways have made many seniors very happy this Valentine's Day. Thank you for all that you did to brighten their world by giving them a special surprise of just the right gift. You truly have answered a need for strangers and used your resources and abilities to give with no thought of anything in return. Thank you for being a blessing in God's world.

Your Adult Board

Dear "Friend" of Zion Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for our Secret Valentines Gifts. Bless your big and generous hearts for the wonderful & unexpected things we received.

I got 2 sweat shirts, gloves, winter scarf, & chocolate candy. I especially liked the beautiful zebra jungle scarf to wear with my black dress. My husband got a soft black sweatpants with the side pockets and Reese's peanut butter cups. His favorite surprise was the Cellas chocolate covered cherries.

It was so nice & thoughtful that you made our Valentine's Day. We were thrilled to open everything. Everything was wonderful. We appreciate all that you do. I hug you all with my heart

Love,

Kathy & Robert

I am very thankful for the kindness and generosity of everyone at Zion. My children had a great Christmas with big smiles. Thank you for everything the church has given and did for my family. Thank you and God Bless.

Love, Michelle Verba

Thank you so much for the Valentine's gifts you gave me! They were needed, I can't afford much of anything but they were great.

Thanks again, Nancy Stratton

Dear Fellow Members,

Thank you for the outpouring of compassion at the time of Bob's death. Bob and I enjoyed the Zion fellowship throughout our marriage.

Bob lived his life recognizing that Zion and Hollidaysburg gave him the faith and enthusiasm to serve his community. Below is a list of people that he asked me to write down after his surgery in January, at the time when we were told his cancer had spread and that his kidneys had failed. This was a cherished day in our marriage, when Bob recalled and reviewed his life in positive ways. It made him the special human he was.

Hollidaysburg did more than watch Bob Merritts grow into a man who served his God and fellow humans. These are some people who influenced his growing years, whom he identified ten days before his death: Members of Zion in the 40s and 50s: Herb Hammaker, Mr. Gottshall, Harold Fickes, Mr. and Mrs. McCall, Pr. And Mrs. Bauer, Mr. and Mrs. Fox, Grant Gottshall, Carl and Ann Treese.

Deli Donaldson and Miss Pickles were two neighbors who welcomed Bob on their porches. Mrs. Dorezas was a neighbor and first grade teacher.

Mr. Goodwin, Gene Davidson, Prudy and Bob Brockelsby, Joe Croyle, and Stan and Joan Brua not only gave their time but paid for Bob's waterfront classes and tournaments. Harold Kopp was a transient who passed through town and stay at the Y.

Sam Downing and Don Weyandt were two men who shared their knowledge of cars, and instilled respect for adults and cars.

Bob's service in the Marine Corp was a wonderful experience for him. He realized from his exposure to many people with different lifestyles that he was valuable. His faith and desire to serve others was strengthened.

Again, thank you. Annette Merritts

Dear Zion Lutheran friends,

Thank you all so much for caring about our community's Seniors, and going out of your way to make the Valentine Day holiday special for them!

I have always been impressed with not only how generous the gifts are but also the attention that is given to the beautiful wrapping—and this year was no exception!

Thank you all for your thoughtfulness! Lisa Mayer (Blair Senior Services)



# WE MAKE The road by Walking

# Lenten Tuesdays and Zoom Wednesdays

Lent is traditionally a season of spiritual formation as we engage in additional faith practices like fasting (giving things up) and prayer. This year we will continue in that tradition by utilizing the book *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian McLaren. This resource will provide direction and discussion for spiritual formation, reorientation, and activation.

Two group opportunities will be offered this Lent: in person on Tuesday nights from 7 to 8 PM and on Zoom on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 7:30 PM, beginning March 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday evenings will include a children & youth option lead by Ryan. If you would like to participate, please call or email Pastor Dave (bowdavidman@gmail.com) to reserve a copy of the book.

We Make the Road by Walking is designed to be a year-long resource. If there is sufficient interest then Pastor Dave will continue small group discussions with anyone interested, either in person or online. Please consider utilizing this opportunity to "seek aliveness" in your faith.

# First Communion Training

For children in 3rd Grade or Age 8 & Parents



March 27<sup>th</sup> & April 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:30 to 2:00

(following the 10:45 Service) Lunch will be provided

If you have any questions or special requests, please contact Pastor Dave or Ryan.



# Yard Sale Donations and Help

The Zion Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, March 26th. We had lots of great donations collected in 2020 for the original yard sale date. Thank you to all who donated! For those who have been holding on to items or will have things to donate, **donations may be brought to the church from March 21st-March 25th, 9:00am-3:00pm.** There will be signage to direct where to leave donations on the first floor. We ask that larger quantities be delivered earlier in the week, thank you! Unsold donations will be given to the Salvation Army for use in their thrift stores which raise funds for their Adult Rehabilitation Centers.



# Holy Week at Zíon Apríl 10th through Apríl 17th

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 at 6:00 PM

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

Easter Breakfast at 9:30 AM



# 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. Please plan to attend and enjoy fellowship on Easter Morning.

# **RUTH CIRCLE**

**DATE:** March 15, 2022

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

PLACE: Zion Lutheran Church

Sandra Harbert Petrulionis, Ph.D Distinguished Professor of English and American Studies at Penn State, will be talking to us about Louisa May Alcott and her books, life and social reform through constant involvement in antislavery activism and women's rights at the time of the Civil War. If you are a fan of Little Women or any other of Louisa May Alcott's books, or just want to learn about this fascinating woman, please join us for this special presentation. You do not have to be a member of Ruth Circle to attend; all are welcome.



Cr@zy is Zion's regularly meeting 7th-12th grade youth group. We do a variety of things throughout the year like bible studies, service work with American Rescue Workers and ALSM, games, ice cream trips, etc. Cr@zy is a great opportunity for youth to grow in faith together and build relationships! Friends are always welcome.

Cr@zy meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the church unless otherwise announced.

Upcoming Dates: 3/23 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.at Zion 4/13 & 4/27 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Zion



# **Zion Family Pittsburgh Day**

Saturday, April 23rd (9:00am-approx. 8:00pm) Sign up deadline: Sunday, March 27th

On **Saturday, April 23rd**, we will be traveling to Pittsburgh for a fun day together as church family! Children, families, and all ages are invited to join us. Our day will include exploring the city and a trip to the Mattress Factory (contemporary art museum). Mattress Factory is home to some 'out of this world' art including paintings, sculptures, immersive rooms, and displays that take



up an entire floor. After the art museum, we will explore the city together a bit and sit down for a restaurant dinner. Our group will travel together, and transportation will be available for those who need it (meeting at the church at **9:00am** and returning around **8:00pm**).

"Why an art museum?" We will take time to unpack how we see God's presence and word in creative works. Art and creativity are incredible gifts from God that enrich our lives as we grow in faith.

The price for **adults** is **\$10.00** (this includes a packed lunch and art museum ticket. *Adults will pay for their own food at dinner.*)

There is **no cost** for **children and youth** (12th Grade and under. Packed lunch and art museum ticket provided. *Dinner is* 

also covered for all children and youth.)

7th Grade and older are welcome to sign up and attend with or without parents (a parent or guardian will need to sign a release when dropping youth off)

Sign up (return to the church office or in the offering box): **March 27th deadline!** 



The last course for the season will be Confirmation Night on Friday, March 18 from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. There will be a Confirmation Course Make-up on Sunday, April 3. The courses are for all youth in the Confirmation process. Topics for the courses will range from Catechism, to the Bible, to Church History. Looking forward to seeing you there!



# **FaithFormers**

A brand new children's group here at Zion (Preschool-3rd Grade). Starts April 20th!

FaithFormers will be a place where children learn about and experience God with fun songs, lessons, games, and more! All **Preschool-3rd Graders** are welcome to start attending any time we meet. FaithFormers will meet here at the church every first and third Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm of every school-year month. Ryan Custead will lead the group along with volunteers from the congregation.

Children may choose to have a parent or guardian attend with them. Children who are not potty trained must have a parent or guardian with them. A parent or guardian will need to register their child at the church when attending for the first time.

Please contact the church office at (814) 695-0091 or email Ryan at ryncust@gmail.com with any questions.

Dates for this school year (4:30pm-5:30pm):

Wednesday, April 20th
Wednesday, May 4th
Wednesday, May 18th
FaithFormers will resume in the Fall!





# **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Worship Board would like to remind the congregation of the sponsorship program for the flowers that are placed on the altar each week. You are welcome to sponsor the flowers in memory of loved ones, in honor of a special event, or in thanks for God's many blessings.

If you are interested in signing up, the sign-up sheet for the new year will be placed on the small bulletin board near the kitchen. Also, when you sign up, be sure to mark the column stating if you want to take the flowers after services.

The cost for 2022 will remain \$50 payable to Zion. You can also include payment in your offering envelope by marking it "Altar Flowers". **Thank you** in advance for participating in this ministry.



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**5/14** SYNOD FAMILY DAY **5/15** ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

6/5-9 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (AT ZION)

6/19-23 CONFIRMATION CAMP

7/8-12 FAMILY CAMP



# **Annual Congregational Meeting**

May 15, 2022
Fellowship Hall
Time to be determined



# FINANCIAL REPORT General Fund

July 1, 2021 thru January 31, 2022

Income (Giving) \$195,480.15 Expenses \$180,962.18 Income vs. Expenses (Giving Only)

\$14,517.97

(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 1/28/22 \$631,379.37 Less Principal(Designated) \$336,214.17 Value over principal as of 1/28/21 \$295,165.20



Dear Zion family,

We all have hopes—we hope the weather will be good, we hope our team will win, we hope our plans will succeed. Sometimes hopes are high; we hope for the best; at other times, things go wrong, hopes seem to flounder and fade.

Yet, hope is like a rope we can reach out to, a ray of light that can lead us, and an anchor to keep us steady when times are tough. Hope is a crucial ingredient for our well-being.

Sometimes we struggle to hope if we can't see the outcome. The Bible teaches the importance of patience. It points out that hope is about belief in something that isn't always easy to see. Romans 8:24-25 says, "...Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience."

At the moment, a great deal of patience is needed, but we will persevere in hope and get through the storms together.

There is always hope.

We invite YOU to help us create our **Garden of Hope** to show care for one another and create an environment for hope to grow. Words of encouragement bring hope at the most difficult times—a most potent gift indeed. This expression can take many different forms. Choose from the ideas listed below, or you may have a better idea!

### What do I have to do?

First, use the flower template or create your own. Then do one of the following:

- Write or type how you are feeling right now.
- Write a poem about the good things right now.
- Write a prayer for those in need.
- Write a personal prayer.
- Give thanks.
- Show gratitude.
- Give a shout-out.
- Take a photograph and explain what it represents for you.
- Express what you would like to see happen in the future.

If you would like to use different fonts, colors, clip art, etc., anything to make your flower unique—please do! Additional flowers will be available at the church if others in your family would like to create one. Each expression of hope should be displayed on a flower before sending it in to be added to our display.

Yours in Christ,

The Communication Board



# **Classic Flower**

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