



Lutheran Church

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Office Hours: 8:30AM-3:30PM Tuesday-Friday
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Worship

Saturday - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School

9:30 Sunday School for All Ages

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. NOIZ Rehearsal

Wednesdays:

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

Thursdays:

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS

MAY EVENTS

- 5/1 & 15: FaithFormers (last until Sept)
- 5/3: Blood Drive
- 5/6 & 19: Serving Squad
- 5/8 & 22: Cr@zy & Cr@zy Lite (last until Sept)
- 5/9: Communication Board Meeting
- 5/12: CYF Board Meeting
- 5/14: Property Board Meeting
- 5/16: CPC Meeting
- 5/17: Arts in Recovery
- 5/18: Men's Breakfast (last until Sept)
- 5/19: Annual Congregational Meeting
- 5/19: Baccalaureate
- 5/20: Pentecost Geranium Planting
- 5/21: Ruth Circle
- 5/23: Flower Planting
- 5/25: Property Work Day
- 5/25: Youth Church Van Cleaning
- 5/25: Faith Riders
- 5/27: Memorial Day ~ Office Closed

JUNE/JULY HIGHLIGHTS

- 6/2: Graduate Recognition
- 6/2-6: Vacation Bible School
- 6/3 & 17: Serving Squad
- 6/7: VBS Theme Night
- 6/12,19,26: Weeding Wednesdays (cont thru Summer)
- 7/4: Independence Day ~ Office Closed
- 7/5-9: Family Camp
- 7/16-20: National Youth Gathering

The national church body to which we belong, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, is developing a social statement on Civic Life and Faith. This document explores the relationship between church and state and was called for by the ELCA Churchwide Assembly in 2019.

Social statements are primary documents of the ELCA that address significant social issues. They are intended to aid reflection, shape conscience, and set forth the ELCA's teaching and policy on issues and questions of contemporary life. Social statements are developed by task forces, utilizing an established process of study and widespread participation across the church to guide our theological and moral deliberation.

Right now, we are invited, as members of the church, to study and give feedback on a draft version of the social statement. Surveys are available to give your voice to the process. Information can be found at <https://www.elca.org/civicsandfaith>. If you would like a copy of the information printed out for you, please visit the church office.

At Zion, the Allegheny Synod has asked us to host a hearing session on the draft social statement on Friday, June 14 at 5 PM. Dinner will be provided with the event. I would encourage you to read the draft material and come and participate in the conversation. Later in the evening, at 6 PM, we will also host the opening worship for the 2024 Allegheny Synod Assembly.

I hope you will take this opportunity to connect to the work of both our Synod and our Churchwide bodies. Our congregation is blessed to collaborate in ministry with these regional and national expressions of the church, and we are richer when we all work together.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Dave



NOTES OF THANKS

Here I am, once again, thanking my Zion family for all your thoughtful prayers and cards. The flowers are beautiful as well. I am doing well with my fractured shoulder therapy.

Ann Stubbs

Thank you for all the care packages, they act as a great morale boost. On my end, things are going well, so thank you for your support.

Love,
Isaac Shimer

To my Zion family,

Many thanks for the numerous cards I received for my birthday. In this time of quarantine, they especially brightened my days and my spirits! Every card felt like a touch from God on my shoulder. I know He has held me every day of my 95 years and always will. I love my church family and sharing my faith with you all. I look forward to worshipping together soon. Thanks again.

Ruth Grubb

BLOOD DRIVE

We Need Your Blood!!



The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held in the Fellowship Hall on

**May 3, 2024
11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: ZionLutheran to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

**“The need is constant.
The gratification is instant. Give blood.”**

SPRING FLING Girls' Night Out

Tuesday, May 7, 2024
Doors Open at 5:30 pm
Dinner Served at 6:00 pm

Zion Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall
\$10 per person 13 and over
\$5 per child 6-12

Tickets for sale after each service April 27 & 28 and May 4 & 5.
Visit table outside fellowship hall or call Justine to purchase
(814-207-4931).

Outreach Board News

To date, 3074 meals and 2191 desserts have been donated within the community. We are quickly approaching our goal of 4000 meals in the first year of our mission.

The Hope Drop-in Center is also collecting used bibles. There is a collection box in the Pastor's Study/Outreach Room.

The upcoming Serving Squad dates are May 6 & 19 and June 3 & 17 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.



Annual Congregational Meeting

May 19, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

There will be one worship service on 5/19 at 9:30 a.m. followed immediately by the annual meeting. Saturday evening worship will be at 6:00 p.m.





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Arts in Recovery

2024

An evening that celebrates and expresses the gift of recovery through music, art, poetry, and more.

Friday May 17th
7:00pm

At Zion Lutheran Church

500 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, PA

(Across the street from the Blair County Courthouse)

All Are Welcome



Zion members at Arts in Recovery

Zion members are encouraged to attend this powerful community event held annually in our fellowship hall. Arts

in Recovery is an evening of poetry, music, visual art, and more that all celebrates the gift of recovery and drug and alcohol prevention. Pieces are shared by community members, people in recovery, and treatment facilities. (You do not need to submit art to attend!) Attending Arts in Recovery is a great way to support and advocate for those building a new life. Contact Ryan Custead at the church office with any questions.

Arts in Recovery is **Friday, May 17th at 7:00pm** in Zion's fellowship hall.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



June

2nd-6th



5:15-8:15pm

@ Zion Lutheran Church
500 Allegheny Street
Hollidaysburg



Begins with dinner!



Games, lessons, crafts, songs, **FREE!**



Whenever I'm afraid,
I put my trust
in YOU.
Psalm 56:3

Preschool-6th Grade
Register at 695-0091
or online at
zionhollidaysburg.org

zion Lutheran Church
HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA

Zion Swim Party!

Friday, June 7th @ 6:00pm

All ages are invited for a Zion Summer Swim Party at the Naugle home on **Friday, June 7th at 6:00pm**. Come and join us for a fun evening together as church family with dinner, swimming, and fellowship. The party is to celebrate the start of summer AND the completion of our 2024 Vacation Bible School (ends June 6th). Hot dogs will be provided, but attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. And thank you to the Naugle for hosting!

*The Naugle pool is at
611 Cedarcrest Drive
in Duncansville
(Penn Farms area).*



Zion's Spring Clean-up Week

Monday, May 20 @ 1:00 p.m.
Plant Pentecost Geraniums

Thursday, May 23 @ 1:30 p.m.
Plant Flowers

Saturday, May 25 at 10:00 a.m.
Outside Work Day

We can really use your help!!



BACCALAUREATE 2024



Sunday, May 19th at 7:00pm

In the HAHS Auditorium

1510 N Montgomery St,
Hollidaysburg

Join with members of the Class of 2024 and local ministries for a service of worship and prayer. All are welcome and invited! Attending seniors should report to the cafeteria at 6:45pm.



Sponsored by The Hollidaysburg Ministerium &
The Hollidaysburg Youth Ministerium

Graduate Recognition Sunday

Zion will be recognizing our High School and college graduates for 2024 on **Sunday, June 2nd**. There will be a special coffee hour for graduates following the 10:45 service. We will have gifts at the coffee hour for all of our High School graduates.

Congrats to the class of 2024!

2024

CLASS OF 2024

CALLING ALL 2024 GRADUATES

Be part of our Zion Graduates Bulletin Board

We want to highlight your achievement!

Complete this form with your photo and submit to the church office, or email everything to: news@zionhollidaysburg.org

Name _____

Graduating from _____

What's Next? _____

Don't forget to include a photo!

Deadline for submissions: May 15th

zion FAITHFORMERS

Zion's preschool-3rd Grade group

FaithFormers is 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 meets 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.* Please contact the church office at (814) 695-0091 or email Ryan at ryncust@gmail.com with any questions. *A parent or guardian will need to register their child with a short release form at the church when attending for the first time. Forms will be available at FaithFormers, on the children's bulletin board, and online.

**Upcoming dates: (4:30pm-5:30pm):
May 1 & 15 (Over for Summer)
Back on 9/4 & 18**

Zion children, youth, and families!

CHURCH VAN CLEANING

Saturday, May 25th @ 10:30am

Zion children, youth, and families are invited to help clean our beloved church van (inside and out)! Supplies will be provided, but you may want to bring gloves for interior cleaning. *Dress to get wet and/or dirty!* **Cleaners should meet at the church at 10:30am on Saturday, May 25th.** This is a great opportunity for families and young people to serve! We will finish by Noon or as soon as the job is done. :)



Saturday, May 25th is one of our days during 'Zion Spring Clean Up Week'. Saturday will mainly be outside work, and anyone is invited to volunteer. (Volunteers are meeting at 10:00am)

zion 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) Zion Youth & friends, 7th-12th Grade are invited for youth group fun, Faith discussions, opportunities to serve, and more!

CR@ZY "Lite"

4th-6th Graders will also be meeting during the Cr@zy hour, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Bible study, games, service work, prayer, and more! This group will follow the Cr@zy schedule.

**Upcoming Dates:
May 8 & 22 (Over for Summer)
Back on 9/11 & 25**

"Zion Theme Night"

Summer's End!

Sunday, August 18th* 3:00-7:00pm

(*Rain date: Sunday, August 25th)

@ Canoe Creek State Park

Join us at Canoe Creek State Park on **Sunday, 8/18* from 3:00-7:00pm** for a time of outdoor fun, fellowship, and food. All ages are invited. Dinner will be included. Attendees will hike, play games, and canoe (or paddleboat) on the lake. (We will be using the rental canoes, kayaks, and paddleboat offered at the park). *Our main dish will be provided, but attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.* *We are using Sunday, 8/25 at the same time as a rain date in case of bad weather! If we postpone, you will be notified by announcement, email, and/or Facebook.



Mark your calendars and watch for more details/meeting location!

Zion Family Camp 2024

(At Camp Sequanota's Bowersox Center)

Friday, July 5th-Tuesday, July 9th

Zion Family Camp is back for the summer of 2024! 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 comfortable 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), join us! 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) **Mark your calendars and watch for registration in the weekly bulletin soon!** Call the church office at (814) 695-0091 with any questions! Payment should be made to the church office prior to Family Camp. Make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church".

Zion Adult
Retreat
@ Sequanota

August 22nd to 25th



Mark your calendars!



Sequanota Summer 2024!

Learn more about Sequanota's opportunities this summer for children, youth, and adults and register for a camp experience this summer at www.sequanota.com

Please talk to Ryan Custead or Pastor Dave if you have specific questions about which program may be best, when Ryan or PD will be there*, when other Zion members are registered, etc.

Zion is covering the "Tier 11" fee for Sequanota-led camp programs for our children, youth, and friends. You will be able to indicate this during registration.

Camping programs are available for **K-12** and **adults**. There are day programs, over-night, half week, and full week options. **Programs run from the week of June 10th until the week of July 28th.** Camps include: Day camp, sampler camp, cabin camping, theme weeks, Sequanota family camp, and more!

****Ryan Custead will be at Theme Week this summer with many of Zion's campers (Week 8: July 28-August 2)***

The "Tend" Festival Weekend (formerly WELL), June 20-23. All ages with music, activities, speakers, forums, educational opportunities, and more! Ryan has been working this year with Pastor Nathan from Sequanota and other church leaders to start this new program at camp. Go to www.sequanota.com and watch for more information!

Zion Family Camp: July 5-9. (Watch for more info on this Zion summer program)

Zion Adult Retreat: August 22-25. Mark your calendars (Watch for more information)



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 participating, the sign-up sheet for 2024 is located

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.

There has been a price increase for 2024 with the new price being \$70. Our last price increase was in 2020. Checks can be made payable to Zion or you can include payment in your offering envelope by marking it "Altar Flowers". **Thank you** in advance for participating in this ministry.



Renew Restore Rejuvenate

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

At the end of the Capital Campaign's 7th quarter, March 31st, the donation total reached \$407,270.

With Phase I expenditures of approximately \$276,000 deducted, there is now about \$131,270 available for Phase II. Thank you for your continued support. Your donations are vital to accomplishing planned improvements. Thanks also to all the volunteers working toward making it all happen!

As mentioned in the previous update, the new kitchen will take on more of a commercial format, with stainless steel surfaces, a commercial dishwasher, commercial range, and more efficient restaurant-type storage and use options. The new specifications have been discussed with the Designer, and updated renderings are expected soon. Considering the Outreach meal preparations for distribution, our occasional congregation meals/event, and anticipating the future of the Zion kitchen's use, Property Board reached out to the Department of Agriculture for additional information, and to determine if Zion's kitchen is required to be registered as commercial, as are other churches in the area. Findings will be presented and discussed with the CPC prior to plans proceeding.

The kitchen is just part of Phase II. It also includes repairs and updates to the Men's and Woman's restrooms on the first floor. Phase III entails renovations to restrooms in the basement and on the 2nd floor. It's a lot, so the Property Board is working every angle to make sure every dollar is well allocated.

FINANCIAL REPORT General Fund

July 1, 2023 thru March 31, 2024

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| Income (Giving) | \$266,419.15 |
| Expenses | \$255,469.74 |
| Income vs. Expenses (Giving Only) | \$10,949.41 |

(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

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| E J Account Value as of 3/28/24 | \$673,213.19 |
| Less Principal(Designated) | <u>\$336,214.17</u> |
| Value over principal as of 3/28/24 | \$336,999.02 |

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Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

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*The flowers appear on the earth; the
time of the singing of birds is come...*

Song of Solomon 2:12 KJV



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