

# Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2025

Zion Lutheran Church, Hollidaysburg, PA  
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[www.zionhollidaysburg.org](http://www.zionhollidaysburg.org)

The flowers on the altar have been given to the  
glory of God and in honor of the anniversary  
of Bill & Renetta Deremer by Betsy Happeny.

## New to Zion? Welcome!

**Children's activity bags** are at the back of the sanctuary.

**Need space?** The service can be heard in the Chapel on the first floor.

**Communion:** Please tell the pastor if you prefer a blessing instead of communion. Exit the pew on the outside aisle. Empty cups are for wine, and filled cups contain grape juice. The pastor gives out wafers (gluten free upon request), and the communion assistant pours wine or blesses grape juice. Return by the center aisle.

**Restrooms** are on the first floor, including a family/ADA restroom. Additional restrooms are found through the doors at the front of the sanctuary, where you can also access our **elevator**.

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## PRELUDE: "Cry of My Heart" arr. Mark Kellner

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

**\*THE ENTRANCE HYMN: “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!” (ELW 393)**



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall  
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives  
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, “Why stand and gaze up - on the  
 4 “You see him now, as-cend-ing high up to the por-tals of the  
 5 O ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
 stand, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! and with his faith-ful fol-l’wers  
 sky?” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! “This is the Sav - ior!” thus they  
 sky.” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! “Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall  
 cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.  
 see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.  
 say, “this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -  
 see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty.”  
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.

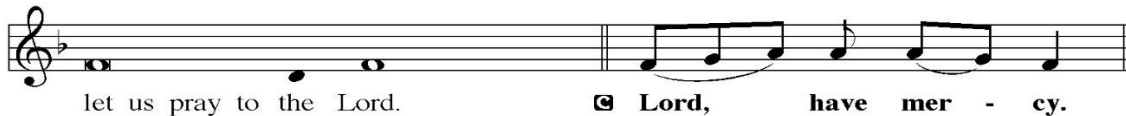
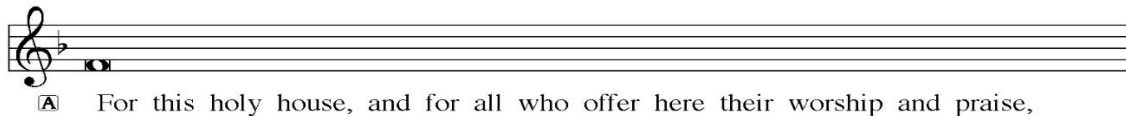
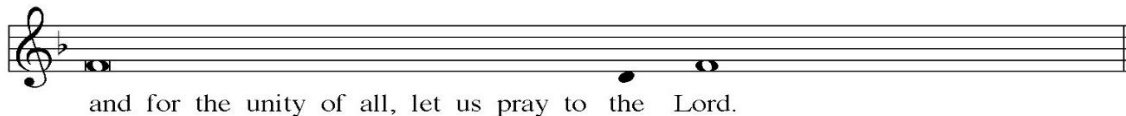
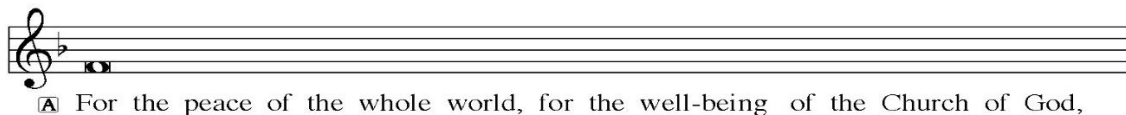
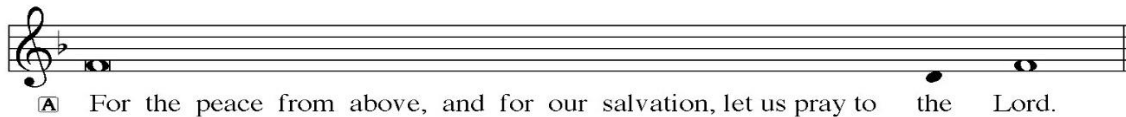
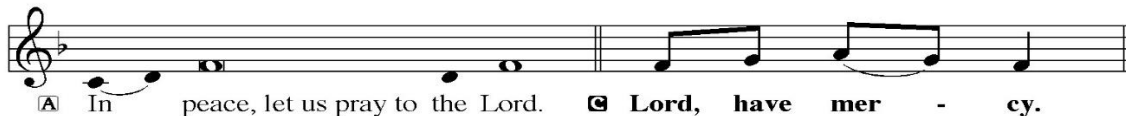


lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

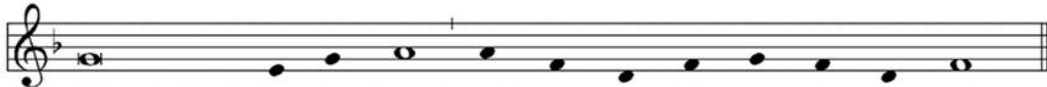
**\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C And also with you.**

# \*KYRIE



## \*HYMN OF PRAISE



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



**B** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. C: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

## **FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23**

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. <sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. <sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

A: The word of the Lord.    **C: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALMODY: Psalm 49:1-12**

- <sup>1</sup> Hear this, <sup>1</sup> all you peoples;  
give ear, all you who dwell <sup>1</sup> in the world,  
<sup>2</sup> **you of high de- <sup>1</sup> gree and low,  
rich and <sup>1</sup> poor together.**  
<sup>3</sup> My mouth shall <sup>1</sup> speak of wisdom,  
and my heart shall meditate on <sup>1</sup> understanding.  
<sup>4</sup> **I will incline my ear <sup>1</sup> to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle up- <sup>1</sup> on the harp.**  
<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in <sup>1</sup> evil days,  
when the wickedness of those at my <sup>1</sup> heels surrounds me,  
<sup>6</sup> **the wickedness of those who put their trust in <sup>1</sup> their own prowess,  
and boast of <sup>1</sup> their great riches?**  
<sup>7</sup> One can never re- <sup>1</sup> deem another,  
or give to God the ransom for an- <sup>1</sup> other's life;  
<sup>8</sup> **for the ransom of a life <sup>1</sup> is so great  
that there would never be e- <sup>1</sup> nough to pay it,**  
<sup>9</sup> in order to live forev- <sup>1</sup> er and ever  
and never <sup>1</sup> see the grave.  
<sup>10</sup> **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stu- <sup>1</sup> pid they perish  
and leave their wealth to those who come <sup>1</sup> after them.**  
<sup>11</sup> Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to <sup>1</sup> generation,  
though they had named lands af- <sup>1</sup> ter themselves.  
<sup>12</sup> **Even though honored, they cannot <sup>1</sup> live forever;  
they are like the <sup>1</sup> beasts that perish.**

**SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

A: The word of the Lord.    C: **Thanks be to God.**

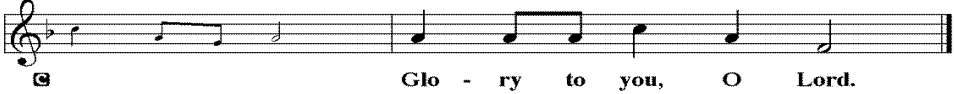
**\*VERSE**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\*GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21**

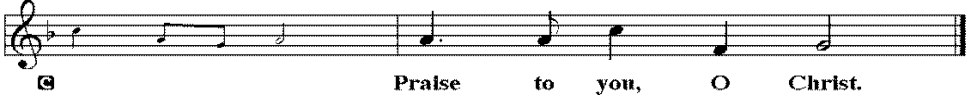
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” (LBW 457)**



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, source of pur - est plea - sure,  
 2 In thine arm I rest me; foes who would mo - lest me  
 3 Hence, all fears and sad - ness, for the Lord of glad - ness,



tru - est friend to me: ah, how long I've pant - ed, and my heart has  
 can-not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing, ev - 'ry heart be  
 Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther, though the storms may



faint - ed, thirst-ing, Lord, for thee! Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb;  
 quak-ing, Je - sus calms my fear. Sin and hell in con - flict fell  
 gath - er, still have peace with - in. Yea, what-e'er I here must bear,



I will suf - fer nought to hide thee, nought I ask be - side thee.  
 with their bit - ter storms as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.  
 still in thee lies pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price-less trea - sure!

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**C:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection + of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**P:** Let us pray ... Lord, in your mercy. **C:** Hear our Prayer.

**P:** Into your hands, O Lord, ... Jesus Christ our Lord. **C:** Amen.

**\*PEACE P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C:** And also with you.

**SPECIAL MUSIC “Oh How I Love Jesus”**

## \*DIALOGUE

**P** The Lord be with you. **A** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts. **A** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## \*PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary.....and join their unending hymn.

## \*SANCTUS

**A** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### \*THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

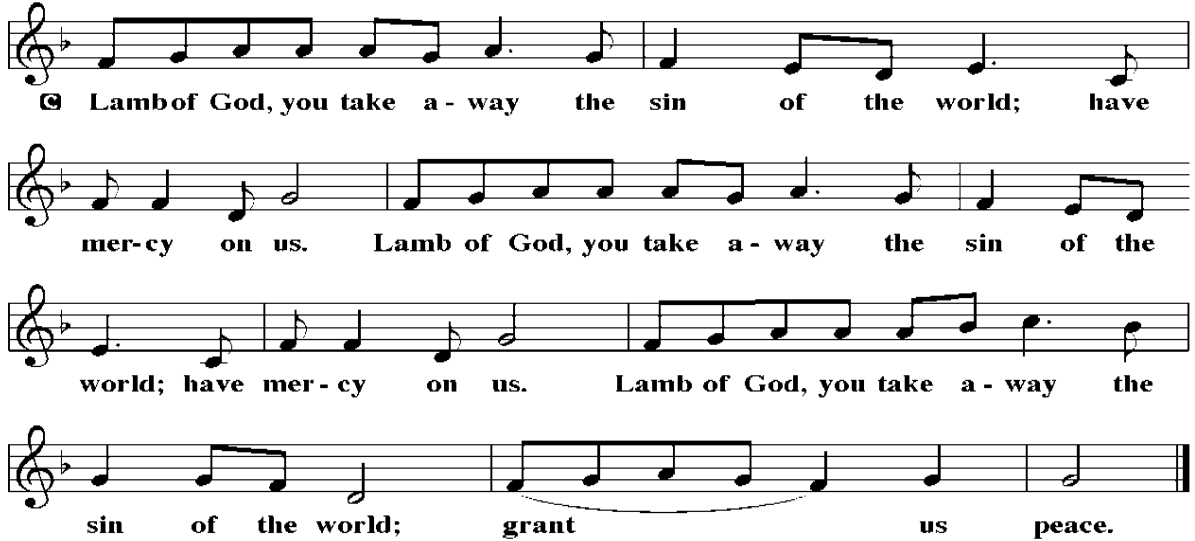
**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen



## \*INVITATION

P: Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you. C: Thanks be to God.

## \*AGNUS DEI

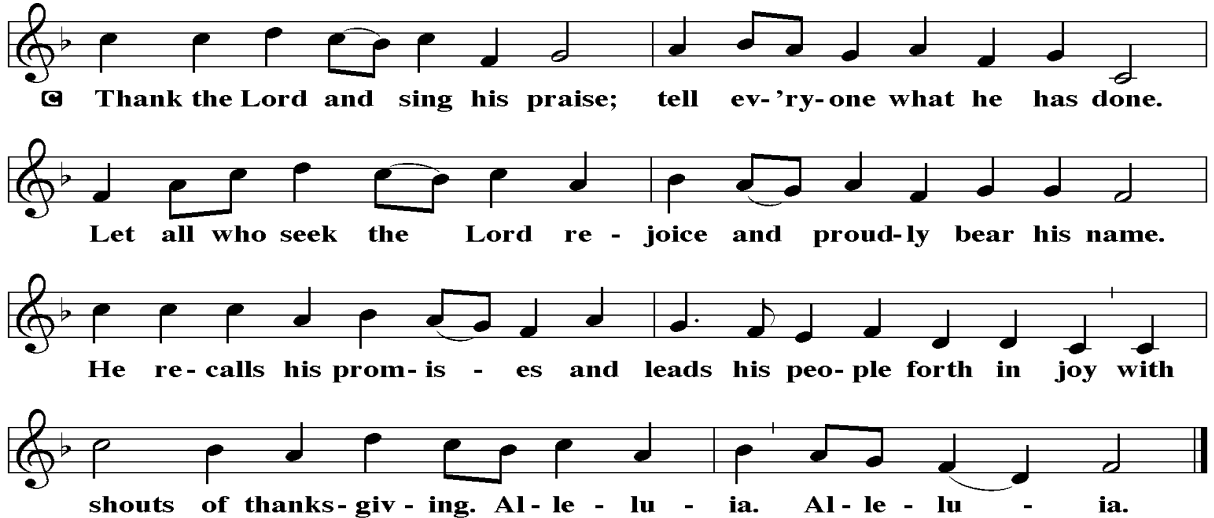


☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

\*P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. C: Amen

## \*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. C: Generous God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

## \*BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. C: Amen

## \*SENDING HYMN: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" (ELW 543)



1 Our Fa - ther, by whose name all par - ent - hood is known,  
2 O Christ, your - self a child with - in an earth - ly home,  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, bind our hearts in u - ni - ty



in love di - vine you claim each fam - 'ly as your own.  
with heart still un - de - filed to full a - dult - hood come:  
and teach us how to find the love from self set free;



Bless moth - ers, fa - thers, guard - ing well, with con - stant love as  
our chil - dren bless in ev - 'ry place that they may all be -  
in all our hearts such love in - crease that ev - 'ry home, by



sen - ti - nel, the homes in which your peo - ple dwell.  
hold your face and, know - ing you, may grow in grace.  
this re - lease, may be the dwell - ing place of peace.

**DISMISSAL: P:** Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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<b>The Ministers:</b>	The People of Zion
<b>Pastor:</b>	David Bowman
<b>Organists/Accompanists:</b>	Doug Rhodes Gail Nedimyer
<b>Choir Directors:</b>	
<b>Noiz</b>	Ryan Custead
<b>STAFF</b>	
<b>Dir. of Faith Formation &amp; Outreach</b>	Ryan Custead
<b>Sexton/Custodian</b>	Rick Fairhead
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Joni Hammaker

**DAILY BIBLE READING**  
**August 4<sup>TH</sup> ~ August 10<sup>TH</sup>**

The following weekly Daily Bible Reading Guide is provided for your personal devotion.

**4. 1 Samuel 29-31**  
**5. 2 Samuel 1**  
**6. 2 Samuel 2-3**  
**7. 2 Samuel 4-5**  
**8. 2 Samuel 6**  
**9. 2 Samuel 7**  
**10 Pentecost 9**  
**GENESIS 15:1-6**  
**PSALM 33:12-22 (22)**  
**HEBREWS 11:1-3, 8-16**  
**LUKE 12:32-40**

**This Week at Zion – 8/3/25 – 8/10/25**

**Sunday 8/3**

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service

10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service

**Monday 8/4**

**Tuesday 8/5**

6:00 p.m. Outreach Board Meeting

**Wednesday 8/6**

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

**Thursday 8/7**

**Friday 8/8**

**Saturday 8/9**

8:30 a.m. AA Meeting (Chapel)

6:00 p.m. Eucharist Service

**Sunday 8/10**

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service

10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service

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***A Note from the office...***

Pastor Dave is available for Pastoral Care and Visitation Tuesday through Friday, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Appointments are preferred. Please call the church office (814-695-0091) or Pastor Dave at 814-330-8025 to schedule.



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Are you going through a difficult time-emotionally, spiritually, or relationally? Are you lonely, experiencing a crisis, or simply stressed by everyday life? You don't have to suffer along. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for the encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is you are facing. To find out more, talk with Pastor Dave or Stephen Leaders: Karen Wagner and Connie Counsman.

### Wreath of Christ Wednesday

Wednesdays, August 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM

Need to take a breath in the midst of a busy week? Enjoy a short, contemplative prayer service complete with prayer beads, chimes, and breathing exercises. Bring your own Wreath of Christ or borrow a set of ours for use during the service.



### SERVING SQUAD & OUTREACH

8/4 is the next Serving Squad date and will be preparing Ham and Mac & Cheese. The group gets together at 11:00 a.m. in Zion's kitchen to prepare meals that are donated to the Hope Drop-In Center in Altoona.

Donations of Coffee, Fruit Cups, Applesauce, and Desserts (of your choice) are always appreciated. Please place your donations in the Outreach Room.



### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Zion Capital Campaign's total contributions collected, including electronic transfers, through June 30th is \$503,789. WELL DONE, Zion Family! The official close of the campaign was June 30, 2025, however the "Campaign Bean Counters", (CBC's) plan to record any additional contributions to the campaign through December 31, 2025.



The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor restrooms will be renovated during September-October of this year. The Basement restrooms will be done in January-February of 2026.

All the Capital improvements and updates made during this campaign will facilitate our worship, plus all of Zion's worthwhile ministries and activities well into the future.

Come enjoy fun, food, and fellowship  
at  
**Lutheran Day**  
at the  
**Altoona Curve**



**Sunday, August 24**

**Buffet begins at 5pm**

**Game begins at 6 pm**

Please order your tickets by Sunday, August 10; email [alleghenysynodcurvetickets@gmail.com](mailto:alleghenysynodcurvetickets@gmail.com) or call/text 814.934.9941. Please mail payments to the Allegheny Synod Office, 916 Hickory St., Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

**Tickets - \$15/each**

Price includes all-you-can-eat buffet one hour before the game at the first base picnic area at PNG Field and a Terrace level (200-level) game ticket. Please note: Children 2 and under are free.

Join us as the Altoona Curve celebrates Faith of all kinds with a night full of unity, fellowship, and community spirit during Faith Night. Fireworks following the game! Kids 14 and under run the bases!

**ZION ADULT RETREAT  
CAMP SEQUANOTA**

**SEPTEMBER 4-7**



Enjoy a time of relaxation and study at Camp Sequanota for our Adult Retreat 2025. The retreat will run from 5 PM on Thursday, September 4 until Noon on Sunday, September 7. We will stay at the Bowersox Center, a hotel-like lodge at Camp Sequanota. Our study theme is to be determined. Come and enjoy the amazing setting, conversation, and excellent food that you won't have to cook.

**Pricing per person for the Adult Retreat**

	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
Tier 1	\$160	\$125
Tier 2	\$225	\$175

**Tier 1** is a partially subsidized fee that utilizes our church budget.

**Tier 2** represents the true cost of the retreat.

If cost is a concern, please contact Pastor Dave. We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to experience the enrichment camp has to offer. Please make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church" in advance of the event.

**Summer Book Study**

This summer we will read and discuss "The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict" by The Arbinger Institute.



What if, in our conflicts with others, there is something we want more than solutions? What if, individually and collectively, we misunderstand the causes of our conflicts?

And what if, therefore, we unwittingly perpetuate the very problems we think we are trying to solve? In The Anatomy of Peace, we learn from once-bitter enemies the way to transform personal, professional, and even global conflicts.

We will meet at the Zion for our discussions. Two meeting options are available, Wednesdays at 6:30 PM and Thursdays at 10 AM. The dates are:

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Thursdays, 10 AM

June 18

June 19

July 2

July 3

July 30

July 31

August 20

August 21

Please contact Pastor Dave if you would like a copy of the book.

**CHURCH KITCHEN MEETING:**

Expectations and Opportunities!

**Sunday, September 21st**

after 10:45am worship (Noon)



All **Zion adults, families, and young people** that anticipate using our new church kitchen for ministry and programs should attend a brief kitchen meeting as they are able on **Sunday, 9/21** after 10:45am worship.

This will include instructions on how to operate appliances, clean surfaces, and some expectations for how we can best use this resource together in Jesus' name! The meeting will be led by Ryan Custead and members of the Outreach, Serving Squad, and CFY Boards. *Everyone is encouraged to attend.*



# Youth & Children Sunday 2025



Sunday,  
September  
14<sup>th</sup>

Mark your calendars  
for **Youth & Children  
Sunday 2025!** Our

8:00 am and 10:45 am Sunday services (9/14) and our  
6:00 p.m. Saturday service (9/13) will feature children  
and youth helping to lead us in worship.

There will speaking and nonspeaking roles. We will pre-  
pare during our Rally Day Sunday School hour (9/7, the  
week before) and at FaithFormers (9/3 and Cr@zy  
(9/10). Children and youth will also be able to partici-  
pate if they are unable to attend small groups or Sunday  
School.

*Mark you calendars and watch for info reminders!*

## Salvation Army ARC Dinner

Thursday, August 14th

(4:00pm - 7:00pm)



Zion will be hosting the men from the Al-  
toona Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation  
Center for a dinner and night of encour-  
agement on **Thursday, August 14th**. Out-  
reach and Children, Family, and Youth  
Board are partnering in this effort. **Zion**

**adults and families** will have an opportunity to help with  
the evening and welcome the men. Helpers and families will  
be at the church from about 4:15pm - 7:00pm. Watch for  
more info, exact times, and more!

### To attend the dinner with the men of the ARC:

Contact Ryan Custead at [ryncust@gmail.com](mailto:ryncust@gmail.com) or at (814)  
695-0091 with your name and number of people looking to  
attend. You may also watch for an online link to reserve  
spots at the dinner in upcoming emails from Zion. (sign up  
is not required, just helpful!)

### To support the dinner and the men of the ARC:

We are also accepting monetary donations to assist with  
purchasing items for care bags for the men! These gifts can  
be made with your weekly offering, marked "Salvation Ar-  
my Dinner" or in the church office.

## CHURCH PICNIC

**SUNDAY, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.**  
**Frankstown Township Memorial Park,**  
**Geeseytown ~ Pavilion #1**

The church will provide the  
entrée and place settings.  
**Please bring your own  
drinks, and a side dish or  
two to share.** Please regis-  
ter no later than August 17<sup>th</sup>  
by completing the form be-  
low or by calling the church  
office at 814-695-0091.



**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Attending** \_\_\_\_\_

## Summer Day Trip:

**Kennywood**

**All Ages**

**Sunday, August 17th**

Please see the weekly bulletin and watch for  
emails from Zion with more info about our **Sum-  
mer Day Trip to Kennywood Amusement Park**  
in Pittsburg on **Sunday, August 17th**. We will be  
leaving together **directly after 8:00am early wor-  
ship on 8/17 (9:15am)**. Transportation will be  
available, but we will also be looking for volunteer  
vehicles and drivers.

Zion is covering the ticket cost for all children and  
youth (preschool-12th Grade, entering). Adults are  
asked to pay the church for the purchase of their  
tickets. (Tickets will be somewhere between \$35-  
\$50 each for adults.)

Please see your weekly bulletin, information  
emails from Zion, or contact Ryan Custead at the  
church office ([ryncust@gmail.com](mailto:ryncust@gmail.com) or (814) 695-  
0091) to sign up, find more information, and find  
more instructions.





## AFTERBURNER VOLUNTEERS!

As we look to the Fall and the 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 18 volunteer chaperones each time to safely hold Afterburners. **Please prayerfully consider if this is a commitment you can make. We anticipate increased attendance, so it is "all hands on deck".** Chaperones are primarily a set of eyes and remain available to respond as needed in the building. This is a wonderful opportunity to be a part of caring for our community's youth.

**Please contact Ryan Custead at ryncust@gmail.com or call the church office at (814) 695-0091 to add your name as a potential Afterburner volunteer in 2025.**

\*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 Varsity 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. About 170 youth attended each Afterburners in 2024.

**2025 Afterburner schedule:  
8/22, 8/29, 9/19, 9/26, & 10/24**

## Zion Music Groups NOIZ & "BIG" NOIZ



Did you know that Zion has regularly meeting music groups for all ages? **NOIZ**, age 4 through 6th Grade, and **"Big" NOIZ**, 7th Grade and up, provide op-

portunity for singing, hand bells, music theory, and even songwriting. Participants are not required to sing and no musical experience is necessary. Sessions are led by our Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach, Ryan Custead and explore how we use music in our life of faith. NOIZ and "BIG" NOIZ also offer music in worship throughout the year. All ages are welcome to start attending any time! The schedule is below:

**NOIZ** (age 4 through 6th Grade): **Every Sunday**, September-May from **9:00am-9:30am** in the upstairs music room.

**"BIG" NOIZ** (7th Grade and up, includes adults): Every **first and third Sunday**, September-May from **10:00am-10:30am** in the upstairs music room.



NOIZ starts in the Fall on  
*Sunday, September 7th at 9:00am*  
"BIG" NOIZ starts in the Fall on  
*Sunday, September 21st at 10:00am*



**September 7, 2025**

**9:30 to 10:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School for All Ages**

**Rally Day Project**  
**"New Beginnings" Backpacks\***



Preschool-12th Grade

Special combined class and activity to  
kick off the Fall!

*\*Backpacks for released prisoners*



## Fall start ups! Zion Youth and Children

### **Cr@zy** (7th-12th Graders): **Wednesday, 9/10** from 7:00-8:30 pm.

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.**

### **Cr@zy "lite"** (4th-6th Graders): **Wednesday, 9/10** from 7:00-8:30 pm.

Zion's 4th-6th Graders now meet for their own separate group at the same time as Cr@zy. 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, 9/3** from 4:30-5:30 pm.

FaithFormers is Zion's regularly meeting children's group. Fun games, crafts, song time, bible studies, and more! **Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, September-May.**



### **Sunday School** (all ages): **Sunday, 9/7** from 9:30-10:30 am.

Join us for Rally Day (Sunday School kick-off) on September 7th, 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.**



## ADULT FALL START-UPS

**STITCH & SEW:** For anyone with the time to help make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. If you can sew, cut, tie knots, iron or just want to enjoy some good company, then join this group each Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Bring a bag lunch. Any questions, please contact Bonnie Summers.

**RUTH CIRCLE:** All women are welcome and encouraged to join the group for Ruth Circle, which usually meets the third Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. **The first meeting is scheduled for 9/16.** Please watch your bulletins for the location. Any questions, please contact Jolene Kopriva.

**ThuMBS:** This Thursday Morning Bible Study meets in the church library weekly at 10:00 a.m. **Start date will be 9/11.** Any questions, please contact Pastor Dave or the church office.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** All men are welcome to attend a monthly men's breakfast with a brief discussion in the Fellowship Hall. The group meets at 8:00 a.m., one Saturday per month. **Start date to be determined.** Any questions, please contact Sam McClure.