

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 2025

Zion Lutheran Church, Hollidaysburg, PA
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The flowers on the altar have been given
to the glory of God and in honor of Jeff &
Shannon Imler by Mom.

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**.

PRELUDE

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God, **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

***THE ENTRANCE HYMN: “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” (ELW 597)**



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than
 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -
 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
 rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
 tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
 may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain

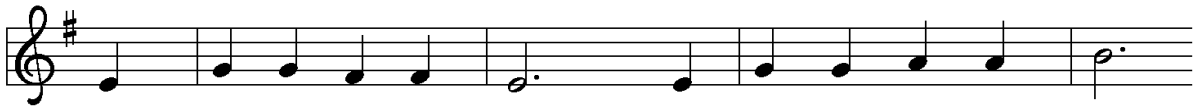


On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

L: 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



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

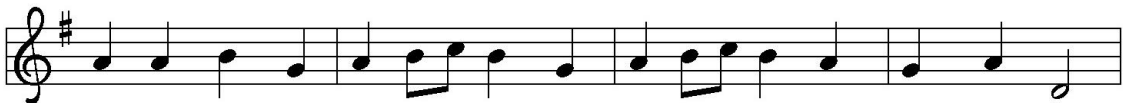
*THE HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray. C: Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? ³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted. ^{2:1} I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ² Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. ³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. ⁴ Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

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

(Sat & 8:00) PSALMODY Psalm 37:1-9 (Spoken)

- ¹ Do not be provoked by ¹ evildoers;
do not be jealous of those ¹ who do wrong.
² **For they shall soon wither ¹ like the grass,**
and like the green grass ¹ fade away.
³ Put your trust in the LORD ¹ and do good;
dwell in the land and ¹ find safe pasture.
⁴ **Take delight ¹ in the LORD,**
who shall give you your ¹ heart’s desire.
⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust ¹ in the LORD,
and see what ¹ God will do.
⁶ **The LORD will make your vindication as clear ¹ as the light**
and the justice of your case like the ¹ noonday sun.
⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait ¹ patiently.
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in ¹ evil schemes.
⁸ **Refrain from anger, leave ¹ rage alone;**
do not be provoked; it leads on- ¹ ly to evil.
⁹ For evildoers shall ¹ be cut off,
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- ¹ sess the land.

(Sat & 8:00) PSALMODY “Mighty To Save” (Song of Zion)

Everyone needs compassion, a love that’s never failing, Let mercy fall on me. Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior, The hope of nations. (chorus)	So take me as you find me, all my fears and failures, And fill my life again. I give my life to follow, everything I believe in Now I surrender. (chorus)
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Savior, he can move the mountains. My God
is mighty to save, He is mighty to save.
Forever, author of salvation. He rose and
conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

Shine your light and let the whole world see, singing
For the glory of the risen King, Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see, singing
For the glory of the risen King. (chorus)

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,
² To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³ I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.
⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. ⁸ Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹ For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. ¹³ Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

*VERSE



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶ The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. ⁷ “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table?’ ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?’ ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

L: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDRENS SERMON

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY “My God, How Wonderful Thou Art” (LBW 524)



- 1 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thy maj - es - ty how bright!
- 2 How won - der - ful, how beau - ti - ful the sight of thee must be—
- 3 No earth - ly fa - ther loves like thee; no moth - er, e'er so mild,
- 4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al - might - y as thou art,
- 5 My God, how won - der - ful thou art, thou ev - er - last - ing friend!



How beau - ti - ful thy mer - cy seat in depths of burn - ing light!
thine end - less wis - dom, bound - less pow'r, and awe - some pu - ri - ty!
bears and for - bears as thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child.
for thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.
On thee I stay my trust - ing heart till faith in vi - sion end.

*APOSTLES' CREED

L: 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

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

L: 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.

(8:00) *PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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

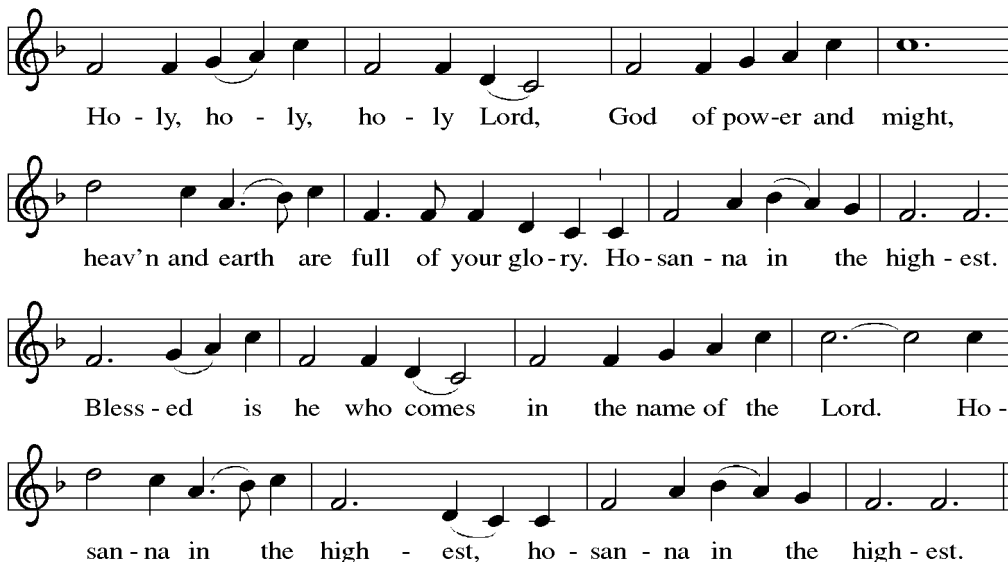
P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

***PREFACE**

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

***SANCTUS**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Sat &
10:45

***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: Taste and see that the Lord is good. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*AGNUS DEI



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION MUSIC

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

*CANTICLE



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice 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: Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. Amen.

*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **C:Amen**

*SENDING HYMN: *"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"* (ELW 545)



- 1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
- 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
- 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav-'ling through this wil-der-ness.
Ev - er faith-ful, ev - er faith-ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end-less day.

***DISMISSAL:** **P:** Go in Peace. Share the Good News. **C: Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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Pastor:	David Bowman
Organists/Accompanists:	Doug Rhodes Gail Nedimyer
Choir Directors:	
Noiz	Ryan Custead
 STAFF	
Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach	Ryan Custead
Sexton/Custodian	Rick Fairhead
Administrative Assistant	Joni Hammaker

DAILY BIBLE READING
October 6TH ~ October 12TH

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

6. 2 Kings 15
7. 2 Kings 16
8. 2 Kings 17
9. 2 Kings 18
10. 2 Kings 19
11. 2 Kings 20
12. Pentecost 18
2 KINGS 5:1-3, 7-15C
PSALM 111 (1)
2 TIMOTHY 2:8-15
LUKE 17:11-19

This Week at Zion – 10/5/25 – 10/12/25

Sunday 10/5

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service
 9:00 a.m. NOIZ Rehearsal
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
 10:00 a.m. Big NOIZ Rehearsal
 10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service
 12:00 p.m. NYG Committee Meeting

Monday 10/6

11:00 a.m. Serving Squad

Tuesday 10/7

Wednesday 10/8

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew
 1:15 p.m. Stewardship Board Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Wreath of Christ Wednesday
 7:00 p.m. Cr@zy & Cr@zy Lite
 7:00 p.m. Continuous Church Improvement Meeting

Thursday 10/9

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS
 7:00 p.m. Finance Board Meeting & Audit

Friday 10/10

Saturday 10/11

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting (Chapel)
 10:00 a.m. Blessing of the Animals
 6:00 p.m. Eucharist Service
 7:00 p.m. Pumpkin Palooza (Hick's)

Sunday 10/12

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service
 9:00 a.m. NOIZ Rehearsal
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
 10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service
 12:00 p.m. Oktoberfest
 6:30 p.m. "Made Worthy" Girl's Bible Study

STITCH & SEW

Stitch & Sew is a group that comes together to make lap robes for local nursing home residents and quilts that are sent to Lutheran World Relief for use around the world.

Financial donations are needed to keep this ministry active. Money given helps to purchase fabric for the backing and the batting needed for the middle. Fabric donations are also welcomed. Only cotton based woven fabric can be used.

You are always welcome to join them on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 in the fellowship hall. All that is needed is a willing heart, and a desire to fellowship, and a bag lunch. Their day usually ends around 2:00. If you can only be there for part of the time—just come as you can.

BLANKET SUNDAY ~ OCTOBER 5TH



CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE

That's the motto of Stephen Ministry. The Ministers role is to bring God's love into the lives of people going through a difficult time or experiencing a crisis. What do Stephen Ministers do? They listen, care, support, encourage and pray with and for a person who is hurting. And in the midst of this confidential, one-to-one caring relationship, God's healing love comes pouring through. If someone you now is facing a crisis-large or small-and could benefit from the caring presence of a Stephen Minister, talk to our Stephen Leaders: Karen Wagner and Connie Counsman, or contact Pastor Dave. Stephen Ministry is ready to care for you!

Wreath of Christ Wednesday

Wednesdays, October 8th & 22nd 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.



SPECIAL MUSIC

Thinking about performing a musical offering for worship? Doug Rhodes will be available for rehearsal in the Choir Room from 6:30 – 7:15 PM on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Contact Doug with any questions.

Around the Wreath

Advent Devotional 2025



This season, let your words shine with the light of the Advent wreath. Together, we will reflect on the meaning of the four candles: Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

If you sign up to write, you will choose a Bible verse from the sign-up sheet that speaks to one of these themes and share a short reflection and, if you wish, a brief prayer.

Written devotions are due by Sunday, October 26.

Sign-ups are available at the table outside the Fellowship Hall.

Completed devotions may be emailed to: 4LJones4@gmail.com

or placed in the Communication mailbox in the library.

Let's prepare our hearts for Christ's coming by sharing His light together.

SERVING SQUAD & OUTREACH

(Please note change for 10/6)



The next Serving Squad kitchen days will be 10/6 & 10/20. We will be preparing Broccoli, Rice, & Chicken Casserole on 10/6 and Ham, Green Beans, & Potatoes on 10/20. **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. Any questions, please contact LeeAnn Lightner at 814-931-2373.

Donation Requests:

Cream of Mushroom Soup (due 10/5)

Canned Green Beans (due 10/19)

Shredded Cheddar Cheese (due 10/5)

Canned Potatoes (due 10/19)

Donations of Desserts, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate, Fruit Cups, & Applesauce are always accepted. Please place your donations in the Outreach Room.

****Any person who can't attend a kitchen day, but would still like to cook food, can do so. Please be sure to drop off any donation by 11:00 a.m. on Serving Squad days so it can be included with the Hope Drop-In Center delivery.**

Made Worthy

Girls' Bible Study (new this Fall!)

For youth, 4th-12th Grade
and an optional accompanying grown up

Sunday evenings, 6:30-8:00 pm
@ The Donlan home (to start!)

***Upcoming Dates:**

Sundays 9/14, 9/28, 10/12, 10/26, 11/9, &
Friday 11/21 (gathering with younger girls)

RSVP to Brigitte Donlan at
educatorpsu@yahoo.com or 814
-207-0646 with any questions
and for directions to the Donlan
home.

\$5 donation per participant (can
be given at Bible Study or
church office. RSVP will not be
required to attend!)



PERSONAL CARE KITS (Lutheran World Relief - Kits of Care)

Ruth Circle is sponsoring the collection of Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. As in past years, we are inviting the congregation to participate in contributing completed kits.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR EACH KIT:

1. One light/medium weight bath size towel (dark color preferred)
2. Two bath size bars of soap (in original wrapping)
3. One metal nail clipper (remove packaging)
4. One toothbrush (in original package)(or if multi pack, put toothbrushes in a business size envelope and seal)(no plastic bags or wrap)
5. One sturdy comb (not in package)

DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL ITEMS OR LEAVE OUT ANY ITEMS LISTED.

Wrap items in the towel and tie securely with yarn. Do not enclose items in plastic bags. Bring completed kits to the church library by Sunday, October 26th.



Sponsored by the Hollidaysburg Youth Ministerium

PumpkinPalooza

Saturday, October 11th
7:00-9:30 pm
7th-12th Graders welcome!

@ Hicks Memorial Methodist Church
1211 3rd Ave, Duncansville

Pumpkin carving, music, snacks, campfire, and more!

From the team that plans the Hollidaysburg Afterburners!

AFTERBURNERS

SODA, COOKIES, & SNACKS FOR AFTERBURNERS



Afterburners are just around the corner, and we are in need of soda, cookies, & snack donations. In an attempt to make things a little safer, we would like to provide individualized snacks & drinks. If you would like to make a donation; small "mini" cans or small bottles of soda, small bags of snacks, and individual packs of cookies. Homemade cookies are still welcome and can be put in smaller bags or our volunteers can package them for distribution.

The dates of the Afterburners are as follows:

8/22, 8/29, 9/19, 9/26, & 10/24





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**



**Fellowship Hall
October 12 at 12:00 p.m.
following the 10:45 service**

Everyone is welcome! Please plan to attend.

Our menu for this event will be:

Pork Tenderloin, Hot Dogs, Mashed Potatoes,
Sauerkraut, & Apple Desserts

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 opportunity 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

Blessing
- of the -
ANIMALS



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

St. Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals and the environment. The church commemorates his feast day in October every year. In the spirit of St. Francis, we will minister to the animals of our congregation with a Blessing of the Animals Service on **Saturday, October 11th at 10:00 a.m.** The service is short and will be held on the parsonage front lawn. We will move inside to the Fellowship Hall if there is inclement weather.

Pastor Dave will bless any animal that walks, crawls, slithers, or flies. Please make sure that your pet is controlled on a leash or secure in a pet taxi or terrarium. Yes, this service will have many distractions and that's part of its charm. If your pet likes to make noise and move around, that's perfectly acceptable. Please do not let your anxiety deter you from attending the service!

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GIFTING HOPE SHOPPING (A Zion Outreach Ministry)

**Sunday, November 2
at 4:00 p.m.**



Children, Youth,, and All Ages welcome! Plan to gather at the church to go shopping for this event. When everyone is reunited, we will share a pizza supper.

Please keep in mind, even if you are unable to attend this event, financial contributions are also accepted (mark your giving envelope "Gifting Hope"). If you have any questions, contact Kevin & Wendi Naugle or the church office.



Fall Zion Theme Night

Saturday, October 18th

at 5:00pm

*(Note start time
and location!)*

Join your Zion family and friends for a night of fellowship and Fall fun! We will gather at the Swope residence (2349 Scotch Valley Rd.) on **Saturday, 10/18 at 5:00pm.** The evening will include a hay ride, pumpkin painting, games, and dinner. **All ages are welcome! All are invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share and a lawn chair.**
RAIN OR SHINE!

Please text an RSVP to Justine Clark at (814)207-4931 if you are planning to join us. RSVP NOT required, just helpful :)

Halloween Parade 2025

Join us outside of the church!
Saturday, October 25th

All ages are encouraged to meet with us outside of the church (Allegheny Street entrance) for the 2025 Halloween Parade in Hollidaysburg. We will have decorations out with goodies and Zion info to hand out to the crowd. Costumes are encouraged and welcomed! We will **meet outside the church at 5:15pm on Saturday, October 25th.**



APPLE DUMPLINGS

Fundraiser for ELCA Youth Gathering

The youth will be baking apple dumplings again this year on Saturday, 11/8. The cost will be \$7.00 each and will be available for pick-up on Saturday, 11/8 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. (during the Saturday service) and on the morning of Sunday, 11/9 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please complete the order form below and return it to the office.

We could use lots of help baking up these yummy treats on Saturday, November 8th beginning at 9:30 a.m. Youth of any age AND anyone who is interested in helping to support our youth's faith formation is welcome to help! The baking process typically extends into the afternoon, with the majority of manpower needed in the morning. We would really appreciate your helping hands!!



Apple Dumpling Order Form \$7.00/each

Name _____ # of Dumplings _____

Pick-up Date: 11/8 (6 to 7 p.m.) or 11/9 (from 7:30 to Noon) (Circle One)



ZION THANKSGIVING DINNER AND PROGRAM

***Sunday, November 23
at 5:30 p.m.***

Starting at 5:30 p.m. everyone is invited to gather in the fellowship hall for a home style turkey dinner & Thanksgiving program. Just bring a side dish or two to share.

Dinners will also be delivered to our shut-in members who request delivery so please call the office if you are interested ☺. (814-695-0091)

Our cooking crew will be looking for volunteers to help cook turkeys, help with kitchen tasks, & assist with delivering meals. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Charlean Rodgers or the church office.