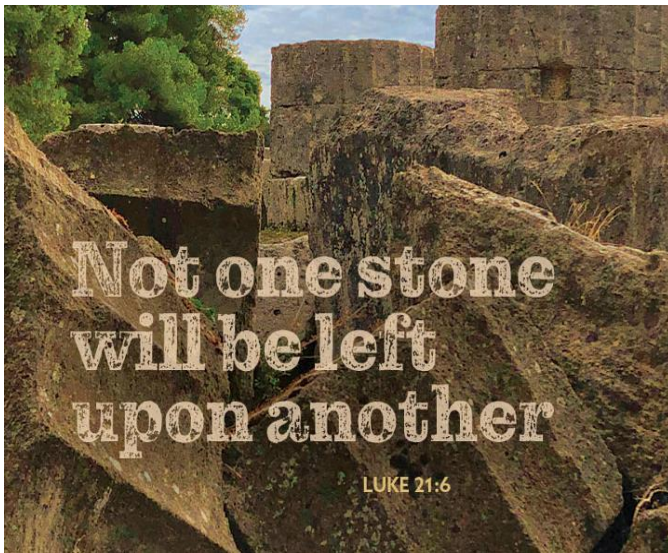




Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 16, 2025

Zion Lutheran Church, Hollidaysburg, PA
814-695-0091
www.zionhollidaysburg.org

The flowers on the altar have been given
to the glory of God and in memory of
Loved Ones by Becky Carns.

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: “How Firm a Foundation” (LBW 507)**



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 “Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
 3 “When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 4 “Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
 my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,

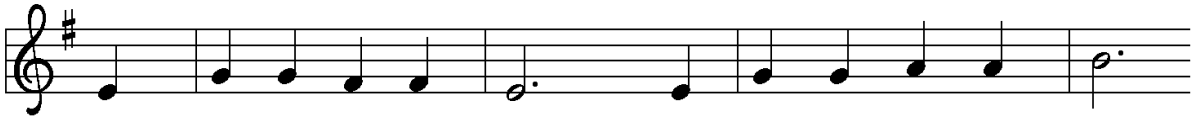


who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.”
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.”
 like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne.”

***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 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (LBW 543)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!	Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!	All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!	Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray. C: **O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.

^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

(Sat & 8:00) PSALMODY Psalm 98 (Spoken)

¹ Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done ¹ marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have ¹ won the victory.

² **O LORD, you have made ¹ known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight ¹ of the nations.**

³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the ¹ house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory ¹ of our God.

⁴ **Shout with joy to the LORD, ¹ all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- ¹ joice, and sing.**

⁵ Sing to the LORD¹ with the harp,
with the harp and the¹ voice of song.

⁶ **With trumpets and the sound¹ of the horn
shout with joy before the¹ king, the LORD.**

⁷ Let the sea roar, and¹ all that fills it,
the world and those who¹ dwell therein.

⁸ **Let the rivers¹ clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to¹ judge the earth.**

⁹ The LORD will judge the¹ world with righteousness
and the peo-¹ ples with equity.

(10:45) 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)**

**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.**

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)**

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 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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 21:5-19

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

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” ⁷ They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. ⁹ “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹² “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

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

CHILDRENS SERMON

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (LBW 320)**



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
soon bears us all away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

***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.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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

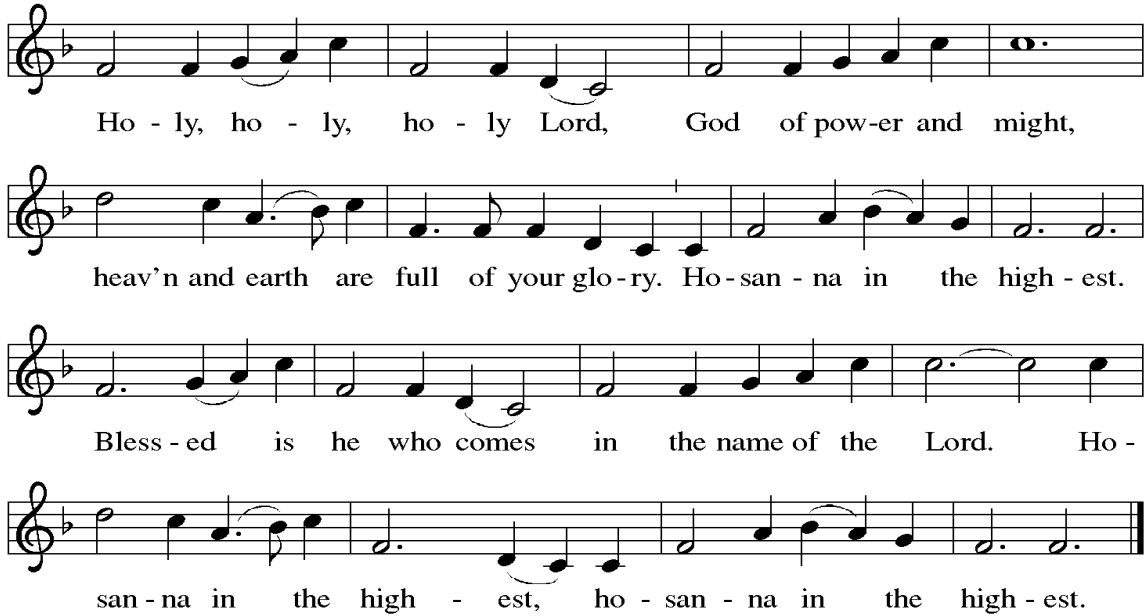
P: Lift up your hearts. **C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

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.

***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 - 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: 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: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (ELW 638)



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.

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

POSTLUDE

The Ministers:	The People of Zion
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
November 17TH ~ November 23RD

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

17. Revelation 10
 18. Revelation 11
 19. Revelation 12-13
 20. Revelation 14
 21. Revelation 15
 22. Revelation 16
 23. Christ the King Sunday
 JEREMIAH 23:1-6
 PSALM 46 (10)
 COLOSSIANS 1:11-20
 LUKE 23:33-43

This Week at Zion – 11/16/25 – 11/23/25

Sunday 11/16

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. Youth Gathering Committee Meeting

Monday 11/17

Tuesday 11/18

9:00 a.m. Ruth Circle
 6:00 p.m. Outreach Board Meeting

Wednesday 11/19

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew
 4:30 p.m. FaithFormers

Thursday 11/20

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS
 7:00 p.m. CPC Meeting (Parlor)

Friday 11/21

6:30 p.m. “Made Worthy” Holiday Fun Gathering
 6:30 p.m. Advent Yule Log Making Event
 6:30 p.m. Sequanota Board Meeting

Saturday 11/22

8:30 a.m. AA Meeting (Chapel)
 6:00 p.m. Eucharist Service

Sunday 11/23

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
 5:30 p.m. Zion Thanksgiving Dinner & Program



Coffee Hour

Following the Sunday services there will be a time for fellowship with light refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. Come for the coffee, stay for the conversation!

Interested in hosting? As we reestablish Coffee Hour we will need hosts. Individuals, families, and small ministry groups from the church are all welcome to sign up and provide this service. No elaborate presentation is needed, only coffee and a snack.



Giving Tree Project

Once again the Adult Board will be sponsoring the Giving Tree Project. This project is done in cooperation with the Home Nursing Agency. The tree is up and available to choose a gift tag! **When you take a tag from the tree, be sure to sign the notebook and return your gift to the church by Sunday, December 14th.** When you return your gift, place it in the box in the hall that matches the circled number on the front of the tag. If you have any questions please contact Linda Renney or anyone from the Adult Board. Thank you in advance for your kindness!



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, November 12th & December 10th 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 7:00 – 7:30 PM on Wednesdays. Contact Doug with any questions.



Yule Logs

On **Friday, November 21 at 6:30 PM** there will be a Yule Log making workshop in the Fellowship Hall. This seasonal decoration will also serve as a perfect prayer aid for your Advent Devotional as you light a candle and pray. No registration is required, but feel free to let Pastor Dave know if you will be attending.

Young Adult Small Group

December 3rd and 17th at 7 PM.

The small group will be geared for those 18 through 30-something to help build faith and relationships. We'll gather to discuss God, some scripture, and what's going on in this transitional part of life.



SERVING SQUAD & OUTREACH

The next Serving Squad kitchen days will be **12/1 & 12/15**. On 12/1 we will be preparing Chili and Cornbread and on 12/15 we will be preparing Chicken Nuggets 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. Any questions, please contact LeeAnn Lightner at 814-931-2373.



Donation Requests:

Tomato Sauce (due 11/30)

Breaded Chicken Nuggets (due 12/14)

Tomato Sauce (due 11/30)

Cheese Sauce (due 12/14)

Italian Bread or Corn Bread (due 11/30)

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.**

NEW OUTREACH REQUEST:

With cold weather approaching, we are collecting blankets (throw size), hats, & gloves. We are going to maintain a few bins with these items for individuals stopping at the church who are in need of warmth. Donations of Bibles are appreciated.

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!)



Special “Made Worthy” Holiday Fun Gathering! Friday, November 21st

5:30pm-7:30pm @ *the church*

Girls, ages 0-4th grade and a
mom/aunt/grandma/loved
one are invited to come
and join the girls of the
Made Worthy Bible Study
for an evening of Holiday
fun of baking cookies (will
go towards the Cookie
Walk) and crafts and games.



ZION'S FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of donations to replenish Zion's food pantry. Your past generosity has enabled us to give assistance to quite a few members of our community, but the need is always there and our pantry shelves always need refilling.

We are asking for donations of boxed, pre-packaged, & canned items. Ex. Soup, cereal, oatmeal/cream of wheat, canned vegetables, canned/cups fruit, canned chicken or tuna, peanut butter, jelly, ramen, flavored rice or noodle packets, pasta, sauce, crackers, granola or cereal bars, applesauce, etc. Sometimes there is limited ability/supplies to prepare food so simple one-pot/no-pot items can be helpful.

Other items that can be helpful are can openers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, razors, shaving cream, & feminine products.

Any items in excess of what we can use will be donated to the American Rescue Workers. Please do not donate expired food. Thank you in advance for your kindness!

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.

Community Thanksgiving Service Wednesday, November 26

The Community Thanksgiving Eve Service is sponsored by the Hollidaysburg Ministerium. It will begin at **7:00 PM** and will be held at **Hollidaysburg Church of the Brethren, 1028 Penn St, Hollidaysburg**. A pie and cider social will follow the service. All are encouraged to attend this time of expressing thanks for God's blessings.



CHRISTMAS DECORATING

If you enjoy decking the halls and trimming the tree, then we could use your help. The Lutheran Home in Hollidaysburg is in need of some volunteers to help decorate for the

Christmas holiday. They will be decorating the social areas at the home: dining room, visiting areas, social room. You would not be entering the resident's rooms.

The dates for the event are **November 24 & 25 beginning at 9:00 a.m. to ?**. The Lutheran Home will provide lunch. If you are interested, please contact Beth Lyon at 814-696-0488 or the Church Office at 814-695-0091. Please come and help brighten the resident's holiday season!

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.



2025 Zion Youth Retreat 4th-12th Graders (friends welcome!) **December 5th - 7th @ Camp Sequanota**

A weekend of fun, bible study, worship, and more. Our weekend will include a special "night out" together in the Johnstown area and



Sequanota's "Breakfast with Santa"! We will be staying in rooms with private bathrooms in the Bowersox Center at Sequanota. *There is no cost to families for the Youth Retreat.* Youth will need a **signed release form** (form available at link in QR code, in congregational emails, or blank forms will be available on Friday, 12/5 when we meet to leave.) Release forms can be emailed to Ryan Custead, turned in to the church office, or brought with youth on 12/5.

We will be meeting at Zion at 5:00pm on Friday to leave together in the church van and returning around 2:00pm on Sunday afternoon. **Youth will be dropped off and picked up at Zion.**

Our chaperones will be Ryan Custead (Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach), Adam Naugle, Wendi Naugle, and TJ Horne. *(Contact Ryan at ryncust@gmail.com if you are a grown up that would be interested in attending as an additional chaperone with us!)*



SCAN ME

A **packing list** with more details will be sent out the week before the Retreat! Contact Ryan Custead at ryncust@gmail.com or at (814) 695-0091 with any questions or concerns.

SIGN UP TODAY AT THE LINK IN THE INCLUDED QR CODE, at the sign up link available in **congregational emails**, or contact Ryan for assistance.

Christmas Poinsettias

ORDERS DUE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

The Poinsettias that are used to decorate our sanctuary during our Christmas Eve Services may be ordered in memory or honor of a loved one(s) or in thanks for blessings received. **The price for a 6 1/2" pot is \$10.00. The plants may be taken home following the last Christmas Eve worship service,** or we also plan to have the church open a few hours per day on 12/26 & 12/27 for pick up. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 814-695-0091. Thank you for helping to beautify the sanctuary!

I would like to order: _____ **RED POINSETTIA(S)**

_____ In memory of: _____

By: _____

_____ In honor of: _____

By: _____

_____ In thanks for: _____

By: _____



Please return form and payment to the church office. PAID:\$ _____

Holden Evening Prayer

Celebrate and anticipate the Light of the World with Holden Evening Prayer this December. This Vespers service will begin at **6:30 PM in the Sanctuary on Tuesdays, December 2, 9, and 16.** Holden Evening Prayer is musically rich and easy to sing. Complement your Advent preparations with this worship opportunity

Christmas Caroling

Wednesday,
12/10 @
7:00pm



Join Zion's youth and spread some joy!

Meeting at Zion!

On **Wednesday, December 10th**, all are invited to **meet at the church at 7:00pm** for some Christmas Caroling. Zion's youth groups, Cr@zy and Cr@zy "lite" invite Zion folks of all ages to join them! We will carol at some houses along the way as we walk together to the Lutheran Home at Hollidaysburg. After singing and visiting with the residents, we will walk together to the Clark house (near the Home) for some hot chocolate and cookies. We will finish by 8:30pm.

 **ALLEGHENY LUTHERAN
SOCIAL MINISTRIES**
We Touch Lives

Zion Lutheran Church's COOKIE WALK

Saturday, December 13th
Open from 10:00am-Noon

ELCA Youth Gathering Fundraiser
Support our youth's growing faith!

Walk around our
fellowship hall and fill a
provided festive container
with an assortment of
homemade cookies and
Christmas goodies!
\$15 per container



500 Allegheny St.
HOLLIDAYSBURG **ZION** Lutheran Church
HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA



Christmas Pageant 2025



Christmas in the Rain Forest

Believe it or not, it is time to start thinking about Zion's Christmas Pageant for 2025! **We need children, youth, and a few parent/adult volunteers** to make this pageant a success. Participating is a great way to help your child focus on faith in the Advent season. *Please let Ryan Custead know at ryncust@gmail.com or at (814) 695-0091 if your children will participate.* Zion's pageants are always unique and fun, so watch for more info.

Pageant Schedule:

Saturday, December 13

from 10:00am-Noon Pageant practice

Saturday, December 20

from 10:00am-Noon Pageant practice

Sunday, December 21

@ 10:45am Pageant performance

Blue Christmas

*A service of comfort and hope
for those who are hurting
this Christmas.*

Friday, December 19
at 6:30 p.m.

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.