

# Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

Zion Lutheran Church  
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## 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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## NOTES ON LITURGY/MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRELUDE/MEDITATION

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

**P:** Almighty God, ... through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

**P:** If we say we have no sin, ... cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P:** Almighty God, merciful Father: **C: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But, I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen**

**P:** Almighty God, in his mercy, ... the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

**\*THE ENTRANCE HYMN: “O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate” (ELW 722)**



1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.  
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,  
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,  
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

**\*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

Leader



*Očie nebeský, Svoritel' u sveta, Bo - že, zmi - luj sa nad na - mi.*

- 1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer - cy up - on us.
- 2 O Son of God, redeemer of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
- 3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer - cy up - on us.

All



*Vie - me to, Pa - ne Bo - že náš, že sa na*  
Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, by ev - 'ry  
Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save from sting of  
O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid the chil - dren



*nás hrieš - nych hne - váš, sved - či o tom smrt'*  
e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; up - on your cross - for -  
death and grasp of grave; your scars be - fore the  
that your word has made. Now make us grow and



*ne - vin - ná Tvoj - ho je - di - né - ho Sy - na.*  
sak - en Son our death is laid, and peace is won.  
Fa - ther move his heart to mer - cy at such love.  
help us pray; bring joy and com - fort, come to stay.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. **C:** Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

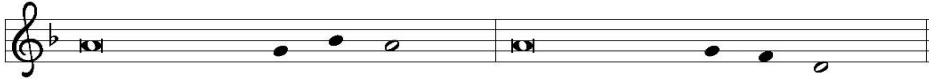
## FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

<sup>1</sup> The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." <sup>2</sup> Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'" <sup>3</sup> Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

<sup>4</sup> Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” <sup>5</sup> He said, “Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. <sup>6</sup> When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely his anointed is now before the LORD.” <sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” <sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” <sup>9</sup> Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” <sup>10</sup> Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” <sup>11</sup> Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he comes here.” <sup>12</sup> He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him, for this is the one.” <sup>13</sup> Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

**(Sat & 8:00) PSALMODY: Psalm 23 (Sung Responsively)**



<sup>1</sup> The LORD<sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;  
I shall not<sup>1</sup> be in want.

<sup>2</sup> **The LORD makes me lie down<sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be-<sup>1</sup> side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> You restore my<sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways<sup>1</sup> for your name’s sake.

<sup>4</sup> **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall<sup>1</sup> fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they<sup>1</sup> comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence<sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is<sup>1</sup> running over.

<sup>6</sup> **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days<sup>1</sup> of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the<sup>1</sup> LORD forever.**

**(10:45) PSALMODY: “10,000 Reasons” (Song of Zion)**

**Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul  
Worship His Holy name  
Sing like never before, oh my soul  
I’ll worship Your Holy name**

You’re rich in love, and You’re slow to anger  
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find  
**(Chorus)**

The sun comes up, it’s a new day dawning  
It’s time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes  
**(Chorus)**

And on that day, when my strength is failing  
The end draws near, and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore  
**(Chorus)**

## SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14

<sup>8</sup> Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, <sup>9</sup> for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup> Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, <sup>13</sup> but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

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

### \*VERSE



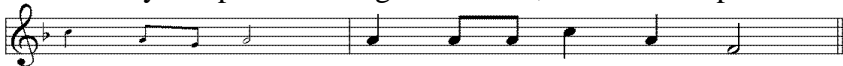
☩ Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

### \*GOSPEL: John 9:1-41

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.

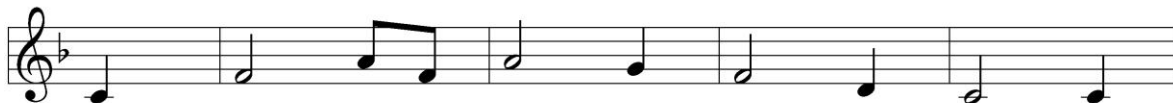


☩ Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup> When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup> saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup> The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" <sup>9</sup> Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am he." <sup>10</sup> But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup> He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup> They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." <sup>13</sup> They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup> Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup> Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. <sup>17</sup> So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." <sup>18</sup> The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup> and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup> His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind, <sup>21</sup> but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup> His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put



**\*HYMN OF THE DAY “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” (LBW 448)**



1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

**\*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**

**A:** Let us pray for the whole people ... according to their needs.

**A:** Lord, in your mercy. **C:** **Hear our Prayer.**

**P:** Into your hands ... through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C:** **Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

♩ The Lord be with you. ♪ And al - so with you.

♩ Lift up your hearts. ♪ We lift them to the Lord.

♩ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪ 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, Lord God of pow'r 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.

## \*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: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

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, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

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

### \*CANTICLE “Jesus, Remember Me” (WOV 740)

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (3x)

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. C: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### \*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. C: Amen

**\*SENDING HYMN: "Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death" (ELW 452)**



1 A - wake, O sleep-er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;  
2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear re - lease,  
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,  
4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;  
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.



so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.  
to give the Spir - it's u - ni - ty, the ver - y bond of peace.  
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.  
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.  
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

**\*DISMISSAL:**            **A:** 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<br>Gail Nedimyer |
| <b>Choir Directors:</b>                       |                              |
| <b>Noiz &amp; Big 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**  
**March 16<sup>TH</sup> ~ March 22<sup>ND</sup>**

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

16 Psalm 73  
17 Psalm 76  
18 Psalm 77  
19 Luke 12.1-34  
20 Luke 12.35-59  
21 Luke 13.1-30  
22

Lent 5

EZEKIEL 37:1-14  
PSALM 130 (5)  
ROMANS 8:6-11  
JOHN 11:1-45

## **This Week at Zion – 3/15/26 – 3/22/26**

### **Sunday 3/15**

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. First Communion Training

### **Monday 3/16**

### **Tuesday 3/17**

9:00 a.m. Ruth Circle  
7:00 p.m. Taize Tuesday Program

### **Wednesday 3/18**

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew  
4:00 p.m. FaithFormers  
6:00 p.m. Mutual Ministry Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Special Music/Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday 3/19**

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS  
7:00 p.m. CPC Meeting

### **Friday 3/20**

4:00 p.m. Salvation Army Dinner

### **Saturday 3/21**

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

### **Sunday 3/22**

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  
6:30 p.m. Girl's Bible Study

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## **SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES**

The Allegheny Synod will conduct its annual meeting on June 20, 2026. The CPC has selected ①**Christina Pavlock** and ②**Gary Launtz** to represent Zion.

Any active member of the congregation may provide further nominations. These nominees shall be active members of the congregation. We are asking that any individual nominations be submitted to the Congregational Planning Council (CPC) **by March 23, 2026.**

If there are additional nominees, the election of Synod Assembly delegates will take place at the Annual Congregational Meeting scheduled for **Sunday, April 12, 2026.** Election shall be by a plurality of the active members voting.

If there are no nominations beyond those provided by the Congregational Planning Council, an election will be deemed unnecessary, and the slate of nominees will be appointed.

In the event that it becomes impossible for a delegate to attend the Synod Assembly, the Congregational Planning Council shall have the authority to appoint an alternate.



## **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.

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# Wreath of Christ Wednesday

Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<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.



## 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!

## Stephen Ministry News

Finding Stephen Ministers as well as Stephen Leaders is the next step for our congregations Stephen Ministry program. We are currently praying for the individuals God is calling to serve as caregivers as well as those called to lead. Please include this need in your prayers - and if you're interested in the opportunity to serve, contact Karen Wagner, Connie Counsman or Pastor Dave.

## SPECIAL MUSIC/CHOIR REHEARSAL

Thinking about performing a musical offering for worship or you would like to perform with the choir? Doug Rhodes is leading rehearsal in the Choir Room from 7:00 – 7:30 PM on Wednesdays. Contact Doug with any questions.



## Easter Morning Breakfast

Once again we will be having an Easter Breakfast here at Zion. Breakfast will begin at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday School hour between services. Please plan to attend and enjoy fellowship on Easter Morning.



## TAIZÉ TUESDAY PROGRAM

Beginning at 7:00 p.m.

February 24, & March 3, 10, 17 & 24

The Lenten Tuesday Program will begin with light discussion, followed by a Taize style of Evening Prayer utilizing simple chants, silence, and candles.



## Holy Week at Zion

March 29<sup>th</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>

**Palm Sunday** services at 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

**Maundy Thursday** service at 7:00 PM

**Good Friday** Lenten Lunch & Service at 12:00 PM

**Good Friday** service at 7:00 PM

**Holy Saturday** at 6:00 PM

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

**Easter Breakfast** at 9:30 AM

This Lent, our Union St. bulletin board has been inspired by the Western Wall in Jerusalem, a sacred place where countless prayers have been placed with hope and trust in God.

Just as the stones of that holy wall stand together, our Lenten bulletin board is being created cooperatively to reflect the strength and beauty of our faith community. Each prayer added, whether from faith formation classes, ministry groups, or individual members, becomes part of something greater than itself.

When these individual offerings are brought together, they create a powerful visual reminder of our shared journey through Lent and the deep sense of community that unites us.

Throughout the Lenten season, all parishioners are warmly invited to add their prayers and intentions. May this shared expression of faith draw us closer to one another and to Christ as we prepare our hearts for Easter.



## First Communion 2026

Zion recommends that children should be receiving communion by age 8.

Sign up by Sunday, **March 8th!**

**Trainings** are **Sundays**,  
**March 15th** and **22nd**  
at Noon

**First Communion** is  
received on **Palm Sunday** or  
**Easter**



SCAN ME

Scan the QR Code (with your phone camera) to find more information and how to sign up!

## Good Friday

### Lenten Lunch & Cross Walk

Friday, April 3rd at Noon @ Zion  
Sponsored by the Hollidaysburg Ministerium

Join with members and leaders from local congregations for a *meatless* lunch **here at Zion** on Good Friday followed by a worship service in Zion's sanctuary.

**NEW FOR 2026!** There will be a community "Cross Walk" happening directly after the Good Friday service. We will carry a cross and walk from Zion to Hollidaysburg First United Methodist (801 Allegheny Street) for First's Good Friday cantata. This is an optional way to extend your Good Friday observation with a devotional walk, music, and time with members of Hollidaysburg's churches. The cantata will finish at First around 2:00pm.



## Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by  
Zion & ALSM

**Saturday, March 28  
at 11:00 am**

At the Lutheran Home at Hollidaysburg

All children (ages 12 and under) are invited for a special Easter egg Hunt at the Lutheran Home at Hollidaysburg (916 Hickory St.). We will also sing some songs and get a sneak peak at Zion Vacation Bible School 2026.

*Bring a basket or bag!*

## Girls' Bible Study

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

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

**\*Upcoming Dates:** Sundays **1/11, 1/25, 2/8 (NO GBS!), 2/22, 3/8, 3/22, 4/5 (NO GBS!), 4/19, 5/3, 5/17**

RSVP to Brigitte Donlan at [educatorpsu@yahoo.com](mailto: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!)



**ELCA Youth Gathering**  
*Pre-registration is open!*  
**DEADLINE: Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Youth 7th-11th Grade must pre-register with Zion to attend the Gathering in 2027!**



**SCAN ME**

Scan the QR Code for more information and to pre-register youth.

## SERVING SQUAD & OUTREACH

The next Serving Squad kitchen day will be held on 3/23. We will be preparing Ham, Green Beans, and Potatoes. 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.

**Donation Requests:**  
Ham Base (due 3/22)

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

**\*\*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.**





# 7TH-12TH GRADE LOCK IN

Friday, April 10th 7:00pm-  
Saturday, April 11th 10:00am



At the church. Games, movies,  
snacks, "night games", and more!

## FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!



A parent/guardian  
will need to sign a  
release when  
dropping youth off.



### Educational Showing

"Mental Health & Addiction:  
Breaking the Stigma"  
Keynote presentation from  
Dr. Nicole Labor (DO, FASAM)  
Tuesday, April 7th at 7:00pm

Join us in Zion's Theater Room on Tuesday, April 7th at 7:00pm for an educational showing. We will be watching Dr. Nicole Labor's keynote presentation from Walsh University's 2018 symposium, "Mental Health & Addiction: Breaking the Stigma". As Zion continues to participate in ministry and programs that work with the addiction recovery community and individuals with substance abuse disorders, this is an opportunity for education. Dr. Labor's presentation explains the science behind addiction and what can be done to help those who suffer. The presentation is 54 minutes long and will be followed by discussion led by our Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach, Ryan Custead. We encourage everyone to attend!



## Salvation Army ARC Dinner



Friday, March 20th  
(4:30pm - 7:00pm)  
**\*Donations Needed!**

Zion will be hosting the men from the Altoona Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center for a dinner and night of encouragement on **Friday, March 20th**. Outreach and Children, Family, and Youth Board are partnering in this effort. **Zion families are invited to help with the evening and welcome the men.** Helpers should **meet at the church at 4:30pm**. We will finish by 7:00pm.

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.

**\*To support the men of the ARC with a donation:** We are looking for monetary donations to assist with purchasing items for care bags for the men! These gifts can be made with your weekly offering, marked "Salvation Army Dinner" or in the church office.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May 31st -  
June 4th  
5:15-8:15pm  
@ Zion Lutheran Church  
500 Allegheny Street  
Hollidaysburg

**RAIN FOREST FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God

**May 31st - June 4th**  
5:15-8:15pm  
@ Zion Lutheran Church  
500 Allegheny Street  
Hollidaysburg

**Begins with dinner!**  
**Games, lessons, crafts, songs, FREE!**

Preschool-6th Grade  
Register at 695-0091, at  
[zionhollidaysburg.org](http://zionhollidaysburg.org) or  
scan the QR Code



(Fellowship Invitation)

The Faith Riders invite you to lunch for food and fellowship.

Come enjoy a relaxed time together as we fellowship and share community.

**Saturday, March 28, 2026,**

**Noon at Marzoni's, Duncansville**

Please reply by **March 19<sup>th</sup>**, so we can plan seating.

**Questions or RSVP:**

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## 2026 Zion Mission Trip

Ocean City, MD  
(St. Peter's Lutheran Church)

**June 15th - June 21st**

All ages

**Mark your calendars and watch for more info** and how to sign up!

## 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.

