

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

Zion Lutheran Church

Hollidaysburg, PA

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The flowers on the altar have been given  
to the glory of God.

## 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

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive 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 denied our need for daily new birth. We have scorned the means you provide to fertilize and cultivate our growth in grace. We have closed ourselves to pollination by others of your redeeming, particularly those whose fruits differ from ours. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, revive us, and open us to your gifts, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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 GATHERING SONG: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (ELW 807)**



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: “Hith-er by thy help I've come”;  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

**\*THE EASTER ACCLAMATION**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

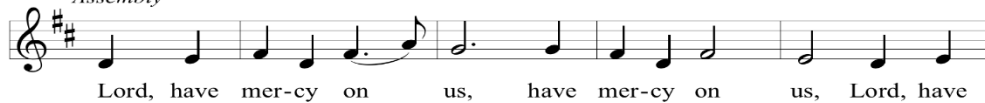
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C **And also with you.**

# \*KYRIE

*Cantor*



*Assembly*



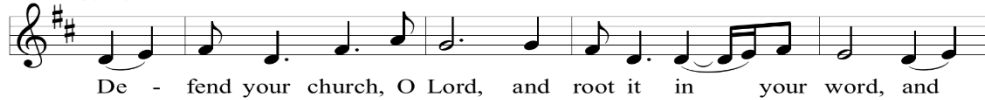
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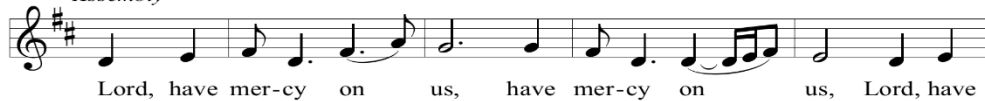
*Assembly*



*Cantor*



*Assembly*



## \*CANTICLE

*Verses: Cantor*



1 Oh, sing of God's great vic - to - ry! Je - sus'  
2 This is the feast of vic - to - ry of the  
3 Oh, is it not a mys - ter - y that our  
4 All hon - or, bless - ing, glo - ry, might, sing the



blood has set us free! Let all his crea - tures  
glo - rious Lamb a - bove. Now all God's peo - ple  
Lord a Lamb should be, who on the cru - el  
hosts to Christ on high; all pow - er, rich - es,



join our songs, for to Christ the throne be - longs.  
gath - er round for the ban - quet of God's love.  
cross was slain, but a - rose in heav'n to reign.  
wis - dom, strength. Now let all on earth re - ply:

*Refrain: All*



Sing we al - le - lu - ia, prais - es to the Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. **C:** O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

<sup>42</sup> [The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

**PSALMODY: Psalm 23 (Spoken)**

<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.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

<sup>19</sup> It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. <sup>21</sup> For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup> "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." <sup>23</sup> When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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

## \*GRADUAL HYMN



1 O God, whose word well-plant - ed yields fruit a hun - dred - fold,  
2 O God of seed and har - vest, of sun and soil and rain,  
3 O God, your fi - nal har - vest of his - t'ry's an - cient field



we praise your grac - es grant - ed to those who sowed of old,  
at - tend the word we sow, lest its plant - ing be in vain.  
will test with truth the proud - est that hu - man work can yield.



who by their wit - ness scat - tered good seed up - on the soil  
Send show - ers of your Spir - it, bright sun - shine of your grace,  
Op - pres - sion's blight will van - ish, fair free - dom's fruits in - crease;



where oth - ers, reap - ing, gath - ered the har - vest of their toil.  
that mul - ti - tudes who hear it your gos - pel may em - brace.  
and love and joy will flour - ish to clothe the earth with peace.

## \*GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

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

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” (ELW 502)



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

**\*NICENE CREED**

**C:** We believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

## \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

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

## \*OFFERTORY



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to  
2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They  
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we



place up - on your ta - ble. We do not wor - ship  
grew in your good plea - sure. What once was com - mon,  
lift in prayer be - fore you. Lord, by your grace now



as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.  
dai - ly food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.  
come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## \*DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. **And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

## \*PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....and join their adoring song.

## \*SANCTUS

*Verses: Cantor or choir*



1 Long, long a - go in Je - ru - sa - lem, as the  
2 High on a throne sat the might - y Lord, robes  
3 Oh, what a sight it was to see and



scrip - tures do re - cord, I - sa - iah to the  
flow - ing through the hall, while six - wing - ed an - gels  
oh, what a sound to hear! The tem - ple door - posts



tem - ple came to see the ho - ly Lord.  
flew a - bove. I - sa - iah heard them call.  
shook and quaked, and smoke was in the air.

*Refrain: Assembly*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, God's



glo - ry fills all heav'n and earth, God of pow - er and might.

## \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (SPRING)

### \*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:** Just as this broken bread was first scattered on the hills, then was brought together and became one, so let your church be brought together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours are the glory and the power through Jesus Christ forever. **C: Amen**

## \*AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, to earth you came to  
2 O Lamb of God, the on - ly Son, to



save us all from grief and shame. Shorn of your life, up -  
us show mer - cy, Ho - ly One. You save the world from



on the tree you hung in deep hu - mil - i - ty.  
all its sin. Lord, give to us your peace. A - men.

## COMMUNION

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



1 We praise you for the life that stirs when spring-time warms the  
2 We praise you for the sum - mer sun, for rip'n - ing grain and  
3 We sing your praise for au - tumn's glow, for har - vest yield from  
4 We sing your praise through win - ter's night, when earth in fro - zen  
5 We praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it,



sleep - ing earth; but most, we praise the  
length - ened days; but most, we praise you  
spring - time seed; up - on our hearts your  
si - lence lies, for prom - ise of re -  
with the throng of saints and an - gels,



grace that lures our slum - b'ring souls to love and mirth,  
for the Son whose light brings heal - ing in his rays,  
grace be - stow till faith bears fruit in lov - ing deed,  
turn - ing light, for life in Christ that nev - er dies,  
joined as one in grate - ful, ev - er - last - ing song,



our slum - b'ring souls to love and mirth.  
whose light brings heal - ing in his rays.  
till faith bears fruit in lov - ing deed.  
for life in Christ that nev - er dies.  
in grate - ful, ev - er - last - ing song.

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

**\*CANTICLE**



1 O Lord of the blos-som, O God of the seed, O gra-cious pro -  
2 O Lord of the har-vest, O God of the feast, where sor-rows are



vi - der for all hu-man need, you have nour-ished our faith at your  
van-quished and joys are in - creased, where the tree of life grows in your



ta - ble of grace, and nur - tured new life in the light of your  
or-chards a - bove, we'll join in the cho-rus in praise of your



face. O Lord of the grain - field, O God of the  
love. Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the



vine, you've fed us your pres - ence in bread and in  
Son, sing praise to the Spir - it. Praise God, Three in



wine. In com - mun - ion you've blest to us ar - bor and  
One! You have made us one peo - ple you've fed by the



plow, and shown us the gos - pel, your word for us now.  
hand, O Lord of the heav-ens, O God of the land.

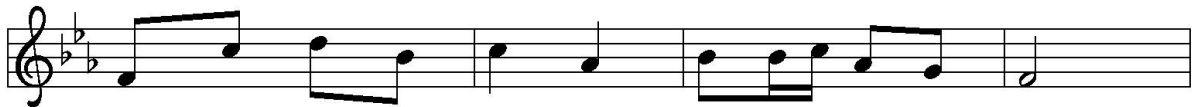
**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** Let us pray. **C:** Gracious God, we give thanks for your pruning, planting, and nurture. We rejoice that you have used the harvest of field and vineyard to renew and sustain us. Lead us as we go from this life-giving meal into lives of grateful service to you and your cherished creation; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

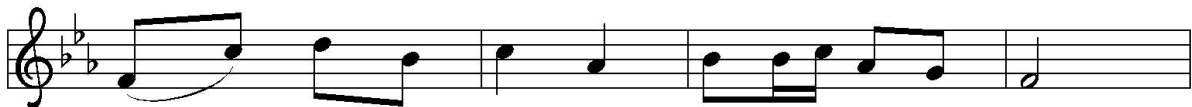
**\*BLESSING**

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

**\*SENDING HYMN: "Now the Green Blade Rises" (ELW 379)**



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,  
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,  
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,  
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;  
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,  
he in that for three days in the grave had lain;  
your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

**\*DISMISSAL: A: Go in Peace. Christ is with you. C: Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

**The Ministers:** The People of Zion  
**Pastor:** David Bowman  
**Organists/Accompanists:** Doug Rhodes  
 Gail Nedimyer  
**Choir Directors:** Ryan Custead  
**Noiz**

**STAFF**  
**Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach** Ryan Custead  
**Sexton/Custodian** Rick Fairhead  
**Administrative Assistant** Joni Hammaker

**DAILY BIBLE READING**  
**April 27<sup>TH</sup> ~ May 3<sup>RD</sup>**

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

**27 Joshua 21.1-45**

**28 Joshua 22.1-34**

**29 Joshua 23.1-16**

**30 Joshua 24.1-33**

**1 Psalm 12**

**2 Psalm 13**

**3 EASTER 5**

**ACTS 7:55-60**

**PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16 (5)**

**1 PETER 2:2-10**

**JOHN 14:1-14**

**This Week at Zion – 4/26/26 – 5/3/26**

**Sunday 4/26**

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. Youth Gathering Committee Meeting

**Monday 4/27**

**Tuesday 4/28**

**Wednesday 4/29**

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew  
 7:00 p.m. Special Music/Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday 4/30**

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS  
 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training  
 7:00 p.m. Spring Caucus Meeting

**Friday 5/1**

11:30 a.m. Blood Drive

**Saturday 5/2**

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

**Sunday 5/3**

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



**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.

# Wreath of Christ Wednesday

Wednesday, May 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.



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## 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.

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## 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!

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## Stephen Minister Update

Our Stephen Minister trainees are learning about "The Art of Listening" this week - an essential part of Stephen Ministry. They will learn a variety of active listening skills to help hurting people share what they're going through and move toward healing. Please continue to pray for our trainees as they grow in their ability to provide caring ministry on behalf of our congregation.



**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!**



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

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## 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!)

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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

**zion** Lutheran Church  
HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA

## Zion Mission Trip 2026

Ocean City, Maryland ~ Monday, June 15th - Sunday, June 21st  
SIGN UP DEADLINE: MAY 17TH

**All ages** are welcome! Youth (entering 7th-12th Grade) may attend without a grown up partner.

Stay with us in the Sun and Sand Retreat Center or provide your own accommodations.

**Adults are \$150 each.** There is **no cost** for youth and children!

Join us for some fun at the beach, service and outreach projects with local organizations in Ocean City, worship on the beach, and more!

**SCAN THE QR CODE** for more information, see pictures from 2025, and to sign up online today! (Paper copies are available in the church office)

**SPACE IS LIMITED! SIGN UP TODAY!**



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## Sequanota Summer 2026

1/2 Week and Full Week camps for all ages!

Experience all the fun and faith of summer church camp! Pastor Dave & Ryan Custead (Dir. of Faith Formation & Outreach) and many Zion kids will be at camp for “Week 8” (August 2-7).

*Zion covers half of the fee for a week of camp!*



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Scan the QR Code for more information about Sequanota camping at Zion & visit [www.sequanota.com](http://www.sequanota.com) for more information and registration.

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## Mother’s Day Market

**WE NEED BAKED GOODS!**\* (or help with sale)

Our Mother’s Day Market will be run just like our Cookie Walk fundraiser. The sale will be open on **Saturday, May 9th from 10:00am-1:00pm** in Zion’s Fellowship Hall. Watch for the flyer and help spread the word!

**\*Bake cookies or baked goods:** We are advertising our Mother’s Day Market throughout the community, so we need lots of **volunteers to make and donate baked goods or cookies!** You may donate any kind of homemade cookies, brownies, or baked goods and we are asking for a **double batch** (or whatever you’d like to make!). Baked goods can be dropped off to the **church kitchen from 5/5-5/8** (Tuesday-Friday). Thank you!

**Help with the sale (5/9):** Our Mother’s Day Market is a fundraiser for Zion’s participation in the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering. *Anyone is welcome to come and help us run the sale,* and we are encouraging **youth who are eligible to attend the Gathering** (7th-11th Graders) **and their families** to help with the Mother’s Day Market on **Saturday, May 9th**. Helpers should meet in the fellowship hall at **9:15am** and will be *finished around 1:30pm*.

*(\*Anyone who would like to help decorate the fellowship hall and set up for the event should meet at the church at 4:00pm on Friday, 5/8.)*



# GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

God Bless America

## TUESDAY, MAY 5TH


Doors open 5:30 pm  
Dinner at 6:00 pm

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

Tickets for sale after each service April 18, 19, 25, & 26.  
Visit table outside fellowship hall or call/text  
Justine Clark to purchase (814-207-4931).

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**May 1, 2026**  
**11:30 to 5:00**  
**Fellowship Hall**



Go to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org)  
to make an appointment to donate.

To donate your time for the event, there will be sign-up sheets on the bulletin board outside the library.

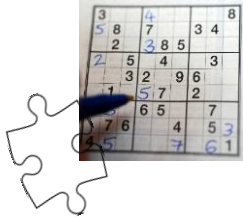
**“The need is constant.  
The gratification is instant. Give blood.”**

### Peace by Piece--Donation Drive

Ruth Circle is sponsoring a donation drive to benefit inmates at the Blair County Prison. Our goal is to provide items that help create moments of joy and peace. We have consulted prison officials and the following list of items have been approved for collection and distribution. Please consider donating something from the list.

Collection bins are located at both entrances to the church.

- Adult coloring books
- Word search books
- Crossword puzzle books
- Sudoku books
- Pens
- Colored Pens
- Markers
- Puzzles



Note: all items should be new with the exception of puzzles. Gently used/like new puzzles are welcome as long as ALL pieces are present.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and sharing God's love!

**Donations Due: April 26**



### Zion Family Camp 2026

@ Camp Sequanota  
*Friday, July 10th -  
Tuesday, July 14th*

Join us for a few days of fun, worship, relaxation, camp excitement, and more. **All ages and family shapes are welcome!** Take some time to be together in the beauty of Camp Sequanota and grow in faith. *Arrival and “move in” time at Sequanota is Friday evening from 7:00-8:00pm, and we finish together in the late morning on Tuesday.*

*Price is \$175 for adults, \$115 for youth (12-18), \$95 for children (5-11), and kids 4 and under are free.*



Scan the QR Code for more information/details (including a sample “day schedule”) and to **sign up online!** (Paper copies are available in the church office or call us at (814) 695-0091 to sign up)



## Zion Music Groups NOIZ & "BIG" NOIZ

<sup>ZION</sup>  
**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.

<sup>ZION</sup>  
**"BIG"**  
**NOIZ**



Rise for Recovery  
BLAIR COUNTY  
presents  
**Arts in Recovery**  
**2026**  
An evening that celebrates and expresses the gift of recovery through music, art, poetry, and more.  
**Friday May 15th**  
**7:00pm**  
At Zion Lutheran Church  
500 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, PA  
(Across the street from the Blair County Courthouse)  
**All Are Welcome**



**ZION** Lutheran Church  
1101 HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA

## ALTAR FLOWERS

**There are still  
dates available!**



The Worship Board would like to remind the congregation of the sponsorship program for the flowers that are placed on the altar each week. The altar flower arrangement consists of an arrangement in a rectangular container approximately 9" x 4" and will sit between the candelabras. As always, you are welcome to sponsor the flowers in memory of loved ones, in honor of a special event, or in thanks for God's many blessings.

If you are interested in signing up, **the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the office door.** Also, when you sign up, be sure to mark the column stating if you want to take the flowers after services.

The cost for **altar flowers for 2026 is \$65.00 for one center arrangement.** Checks can be made payable to Zion Lutheran Church or you can include payment in your offering envelope by marking it "Altar Flowers". **Thank you** for participating in this ministry.