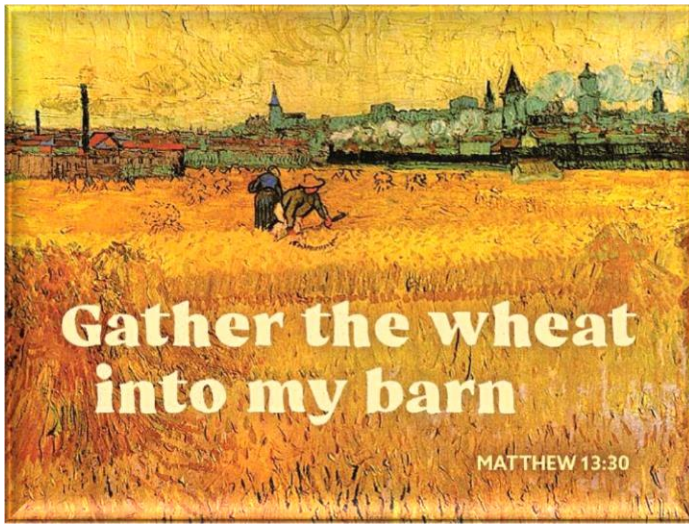




Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 19, 2026

Zion Lutheran Church

Hollidaysburg, PA

814-695-0091

www.zionhollidaysburg.org

The flowers on the altar have been given
in honor of family by Donna Rudasill.

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

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.

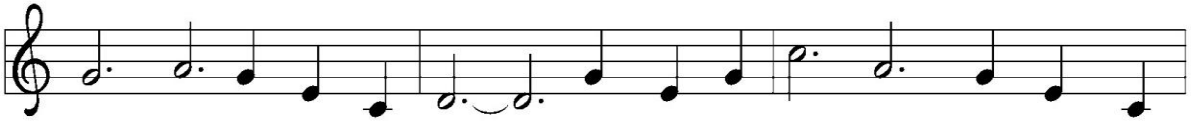
Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have neglected to nurture the new growth you cause to sprout among us. We have failed to protect those tender and vulnerable in faith from the choking weeds of our indifference and inflexibility. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, rededicate us, and compel us, 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: "Praise and Thanksgiving" (ELW 689)**



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
neigh-bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



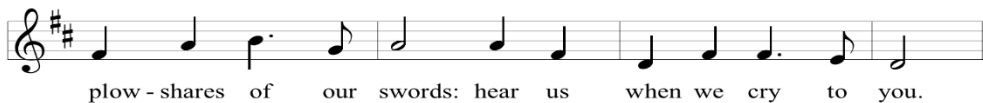
or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

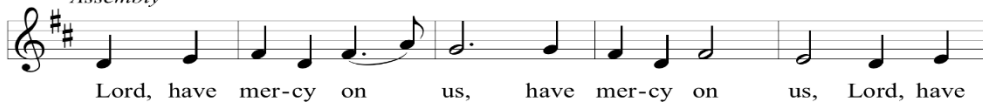
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*KYRIE

Cantor



Assembly



Cantor



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:** Nurturing God, like a good shepherd you provide for the needs of your flock. When we grow tired in our labors, sustain us; when we grow complacent in our caring for others, restore our commitment to nurture and protect your faithful among us, especially those whose faith is new and tender; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Genesis 28:10-19a

¹⁰ Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹² And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And the LORD stood beside him and said, “I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, ¹⁴ and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵ Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” ¹⁶ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!” ¹⁷ And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.” ¹⁸ So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ^{19a} He called that place Bethel.

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

PSALMODY: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 (Spoken)

¹ LORD, you have ¹ searched me out;

O LORD, you ¹ have known me.

² **You know my sitting down and my ¹ rising up;
you discern my thoughts ¹ from afar.**

³ You trace my journeys and my ¹ resting-places
and are acquainted with ¹ all my ways.

⁴ **Indeed, there is not a word ¹ on my lips,
but you, O LORD, know it ¹ altogether.**

⁵ You encompass me, behind ¹ and before,
and lay your ¹ hand upon me.

⁶ **Such knowledge is too wonder- ¹ ful for me;
it is so high that I cannot at- ¹ tain to it.**

⁷ Where can I go then ¹ from your Spirit?
Where can I flee ¹ from your presence?

⁸ **If I climb up to heaven, ¹ you are there;
if I make the grave my bed, you ¹ are there also.**

⁹ If I take the wings ¹ of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts ¹ of the sea,

¹⁰ **even there your ¹ hand will lead me
and your right hand ¹ hold me fast.**

¹¹ If I say, “Surely the darkness will ¹ cover me,
and the light around me ¹ turn to night,”

¹² **darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright ¹ as the day;
darkness and light to you are ¹ both alike.**

²³ Search me out, O God, and ¹ know my heart;
try me and know my ¹ restless thoughts.

²⁴ **Look well whether there be any wicked- ¹ ness in me
and lead me in the way that is ¹ everlasting.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-25

¹² So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

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

²⁴ [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field,²⁵ but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹ But he replied, ‘No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’ ” ³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷ He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

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

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY “How Great Thou Art” (ELW 856)**



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis-played;
 gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion and there pro - claim, “My God, how great thou art!”

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

*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: 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 (SUMMER)**

***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 praise 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: “*Blessed Assurance*” (ELW 638)



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

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

POSTLUDE

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Choir Directors:
Noiz Ryan Custead

STAFF
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Sexton/Custodian Rick Fairhead
Administrative Assistant Joni Hammaker

DAILY BIBLE READING
July 20TH ~ July 26TH

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

20 Amos 3.1-15

21 Amos 4.1-13

22 Amos 5.1-27

23 Amos 6.1-14

24 Amos 7.1-17

25 Amos 8.1-14

26 PENTECOST 8

GENESIS 29:15-28

**PSALM 105:1-11, 45B (1) OR PSALM 128
(1)**

ROMANS 8:26-39

MATTHEW 13:31-22, 44-52

This Week at Zion – 7/19/26 – 7/26/26

Sunday 7/19

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service

10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service

Monday 7/20

Tuesday 7/21

6:00 p.m. Outreach Board Meeting

Wednesday 7/22

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

6:30 p.m. Wreath of Christ

7:00 p.m. Summer Deep Dive Book Study

7:00 p.m. Special Music Rehearsal

Thursday 7/23

10:00 a.m. Summer Deep Dive Book Study

1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

7:00 p.m. Worship Board Meeting

Friday 7/24

11:30 a.m. Blood Drive

Saturday 7/25

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

12:00 p.m. Faith Riders - Pizza & Movie

6:00 p.m. Eucharist Service

Sunday 7/26

8:00 a.m. Eucharist Service

10:45 a.m. Eucharist Service

NOTICE: UNION STREET STAIRS

The two outside sets of stairs on Union Street are being replaced. The project should take approximately 2 weeks to complete. Be advised that the stairs will be blocked off and unusable. Please plan to use the library entrance during this time.

Wreath of Christ Wednesday

Wednesday, July 8th & 22nd at 6:30 PM

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



SPECIAL MUSIC/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. Special music rehearsals are ongoing through the summer and Choir rehearsal will resume in the fall (start date to be determined). Contact Doug with any questions.

stephen MINISTRY

Love One another as I have Loved You.....

In John 15:12, Jesus says, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Loving and caring is not just the Pastors job-it's something Jesus calls us all to do! Stephen Ministry is a ministry in which people with special gifts for caring can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus' love and care to those who need it.

If you know someone who is going through a difficult time, contact one of our Stephen leaders - Karen Wagner and Connie Counsman, or Pastor Dave, and ask if Stephen Ministry can help. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide focused, confidential, one to one Christian care!

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!**

Scan the QR Code for more
information about Sequanota
camping at Zion & visit
www.sequanota.com for more
information and registration.



**American
Red Cross**

BLOOD DRIVE

GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES

Friday, July 24
11:30 am to 5:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Please call
1-800-RED-CROSS
(1-800-733-2767)

or visit
RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: **HBCOMM**
to schedule an appointment.



Appointments Preferred. Walk-ins Welcome.

CHURCH PICNIC



**Sunday, August 30
at 12:30 p.m.**

**Frankstown Township
Memorial Park, Geeseytown
Pavilion #2**

What to Know:

The church will provide the entree and place settings. Please bring your own drinks and a side dish or two to share.

Any questions, please call the church office at 814-695-0091.

SERVING SQUAD & OUTREACH

12,934 MEALS

since the Serving Squad began three years ago!

4,854 MEALS

prepared so far in 2026!

The next Serving Squad kitchen day will be held on 7/20.

We will be preparing Ham, Green Beans, & Potatoes.

The group gets together at 11:00 a.m. in Zion's kitchen to prepare meals that are then donated to the Hope Drop-In Center in Altoona.

DONATION REQUESTS:

Dinner Rolls (due 7/19)

Desserts of your choice (due 7/19)

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

ZION ADULT RETREAT

Experience tranquility and fellowship in nature.

CAMP SEQUANOTA

SEPTEMBER 10 - 13

Mark your calendars for a time of relaxation and study at Camp Sequanota.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.

Zion Theme Night

Summer's End!

**Sunday, August 16th
@ 4:00pm (all ages)**

**@ Canoe Creek
State Park**



Join us at Canoe Creek State Park on Sunday, 8/16 at 4:00pm for a time of outdoor fun, fellowship, and food. All ages are invited. Attendees will hike, play games, and (We will be using the rental canoes, kayarks, canoes, paddle boats offered at the park. However, you may also bring any paddleboards, kayaks, or canoes you have!)

Dinner will be included.

Our main dish will be provided, but participants are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.



Look for cones and balloons in the beach parking lots when you arrive!

Your Adventures with **FLAT MARTIN LUTHER**



This summer, let's stay connected as a church family—no matter where the road takes us! Introducing . . .

Flat Martin Luther! This man has been around; German Priest, theologian, author, hymnwriter, professor and former Augustinian friar. It's his theological beliefs that formed the basis of Lutheranism.

He's now ready to tag along with you on a mission to spread joy, stay in touch, and maybe even spark a few meaningful conversations along the way. Here's how it works:

- 1) Get your very own Flat Martin Luther** from the Bulletin board in the Union Street lobby.
- 2) Take him with you**—wherever you go and whatever you do! Heading to the beach? Visiting the mountains? Out to dinner? Hanging with friends or family?
- 3) Snap a pic** of Flat Martin Luther in action! Capture all the fun, silliness, and spirit of your summer adventures.
- 4) Share your photos.** We can't wait to see where he shows up!
 - Email photos to news@zionholidaysburg.org.
 - Upload your picture directly to Facebook or Instagram. Tag Zion Lutheran in your post. Add the hashtag #flatmartinluther or #martinlutheronthemove

Who knows? Someone might just ask, **"Hey, what's that little guy about?"** And just like that, you've got a chance to share a bit of your faith and community.

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.