

# Zion's Messenger August 2018



## Letter from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

“While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, **he was deeply distressed to see that the city was full of idols.** So, he argued in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and also in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Also, some Epicurean and Stoic philosophers debated with him. Some said, **“What does this babbling man want to say?”** Others said, “He seems to be a proclaimer of foreign divinities.” (This was because Paul was telling the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.) Acts 17:16-19

Read on beginning with verse 19 to find out what happens to the apostle Paul next.

**Paul found himself in a strange and unfriendly place that had never heard the story of Jesus.** The Athenians thought he was a Christian philosopher at first. They called him a “babbler” someone who picks up scraps of learning literally like a “cock-sparrow”. (Much like private Internet only spirituality) Jesus and Anastasis (which means resurrection) were mistaken for foreign gods. A great debate in the Areopagus would follow. Paul does well in his speech that begins at verse 22. Paul speaks of a “living God” that is for all people.

**Here in the 21<sup>st</sup> century we are in an equaling confusing situation.** Only instead of not knowing Jesus at all, **the intent of Jesus message is what is hotly debated.** Who are the Christians of today? How do they practice their faith? Do they all believe the same things? How do they make a difference in the world? Why is there so much religious unrest? Why do politicians feel the need to quote scripture to justify themselves? Life is a swirling mix of thought that is confusing to say the least. We need God and each other to help sort it all out.

How do we “stay grounded” in our **Lutheran** faith? What are the touchstones of our life together as people who are a part of Zion's Lutheran Church? Why do we Lutherans do what we do? Are we/How do we “transmit” our Lutheran faith to the next generation? These are important questions for us to ask ourselves as we prepare to begin a new school year.

Some guidance is due here. After all, Zion's Lutheran has been around since 1759. That is a long time. In 2019, that will be 260 years! Try these:

1. Habitually worshiping with others.
2. Generously giving.
3. Daily praying.
4. Serving others often.
5. Being an active citizen
6. Working to build up the whole community.
7. Reflecting on the old, old story contained in the Bible and learning its' lessons.
8. Being one who “ministers” in daily life as I do my work
9. Connecting my faith to my personal actions.
10. Seeing God as active and alive in the world.
11. Thinking of “we” instead of just “me”.
12. Slowing down. Thinking. Counting your blessings when you do.
13. Cultivating the garden of your mind by continually learning.

Try some of these activities as you strive to be faithful amidst all of the questions and confusion. I am always open for discussion. Just a reminder: Our Sunday School resumes September 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m. You can bring your questions with you.

**Word and Sacrament will sustain us. It always has. PB**

**GREETERS**

5-9:00 am Karen Mengel  
 12-9:00 am Richard & Donna Long  
 19 -9:00 am Brenda Hartman and Bill Gundrum  
 26-9:00 am Carl & Carolyn Hollenbach

**ACOLYTES**

5-9:00 am Morgan Gallagher  
 12-9:00 am Drew Koller  
 19 -9:00 am Ty Seidel  
 26-9:00 am Carley Gallagher

**LECTORS**

5-9:00 am Mark Price  
 12-9:00 am Mark Dreibelbis  
 19 -9:00 am Faye Heckman  
 26-9:00 am Faye Heckman

**Altar Guild:** Wanda Hoherchak and Kim Olszewski

**Bread Baker:** Faye Smith

**Opportunity House Meal:** Rita Decker,  
 Venus & Mel Fioravanti

**Mail Team #4: Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**

The **August** Food Pantry items are for  
**Summer: Cereal**

Please place donations in the shopping cart in the narthex. Thanks for helping members of our community to be able to help ends meet!

**Upcoming Events At Zion's**

The August Church Council meeting has been cancelled. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm.

**Zion's Pool Party** at the newly renovated Shoemakersville Pool on Saturday, **August 4, from 6-9pm.** We will provide hot dogs and drinks. Please bring your swimsuit, towel, and a side dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Join the Fun!!



Christian Ed. Meeting August 7<sup>th</sup>, @ 7:00 p.m.

The next WELCA meeting will be held on Thursday, 8/16 at 6:00pm. All women are welcome to attend the meeting. Plans for the bazaar will be discussed at this meeting. Please joins us!

**Zion's Senior Adults will meet on Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.**

Card games and board games begin at 11 a.m. in the Gold Room.

**NEIGHBORHOOD MEMORY CAFÉ**

Talk, Learn, Share

If you have memory concerns – Talk with others in similar situations. Learn what others are doing to keep their minds sharp.

If you're a caregiver – Talk with others who have the same concerns. Learn new ways to help your loved one (from peers & professionals). Enjoy seeing your loved one enlivened by social interaction or activities, creating a sense of reconnection and closeness.

Come together or alone to share your experiences, and rediscover your hobbies, joys & interests with new & old friends in a judgment free space.

Will be held the third Wednesday of every month at Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church from 1:00 – 2:00, beginning August 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is a free event.

Cemetery Board meeting dates: Aug. 9th, Sept. 13th, Oct. 11th, Nov. 8th and Dec. 13th. Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Meetings are held at our sister church, Zion church 770 Zions Church Rd.



## Zion's Book Club

The book club will meet on Thursday, August 16 at 7:00 pm in the church library. We will be discussing "Orphans Tale" by Pam Jenoff.

September 20<sup>th</sup>. "In the Moment" by Karen Kingsbury.

## Labyrinth

Members have asked me questions about the labyrinth, so here is the latest update. We hired Bryn Kolbe (former Scout Master that helped supervise the building of the labyrinth last year) to finish the labyrinth for us. The pile of dark stone and bricks at the labyrinth will be used in the finally Phase II of construction. We're waiting for the last 3 engraved bricks to arrive to finish this project, and for Bryn to fit us into his schedule. The plain bricks that are taken out and replaced with the engraved bricks, will then be used to outline the entrance walkway to the labyrinth and the flower bed between the entrance and the shrubs next to the parking lot light pole. Additions to the labyrinth will have the same colored finishing stones as the labyrinth has.

Placed in the flower bed will be a big sign with a picture of the labyrinth and the words "COME WALK THE LABYRINTH". There will be a water tight plastic container attached to the sign to hold pamphlets explaining the purpose, the history and ways to use a labyrinth.

Thanks to everyone who supported this project and ministry. Your generosity and support means so much to the Boy Scouts, our Committee and Everyone that uses the labyrinth. RAE



## **Garden news**

We have started harvesting our produce for this season. The zucchini, yellow squash, and cabbage are abundant and the beans and onions are close behind.

We are now usually working two nights a week, Monday nights and Thursday nights at 6 pm, to keep up with the harvesting. Stop to take a look at the Garden, share some fellowship with our Garden volunteers, or stop and put on some gloves and help us harvest vegetables or plant our 2<sup>nd</sup> rotation of crops.

To receive notifications of our Garden schedule updates, please contact Lori at 610-401-1186 to be put on our phone/email list, or email us at [communitygarden@zionslutheran.org](mailto:communitygarden@zionslutheran.org). You can also check the Zion's Facebook page for volunteer/weather updates.

Your continued prayers and support are appreciated!

## **Special Thanks, Prayers, & Thoughts**

WELCA extends a warm thank you to the congregation for your support of the "Christmas in July" community service project to benefit Mary's Shelter. A total of **53 canvas bags filled** with first aid items were collected.

## Shut In Mailing List

Mrs. Jane Francis  
Grand View Manor  
129 Houck Rd.  
Fleetwood, PA 19522

Mrs. Mary Ellen Fraunfelter  
1421 Philadelphia Ave. #242  
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Mrs. Gloria Fisher  
Laurel Center  
125 Holly Rd.  
Hamburg, PA 19526

Joann Himmelberger  
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Shoemakersville, Pa 19555

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Grand View Manor  
129 Houck Rd  
Fleetwood, Pa 19522

Peggy Marquette  
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Leesport, Pa 19533

George Seidel  
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Keystone Villa  
Blandon, Pa 19510

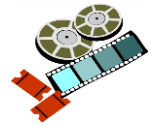
Jack & Dorothy Wertz  
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Reading, Pa 19605

Fern Stricker  
112 Main St.  
Blandon, Pa 19510

Irvin Ketner  
1801 Tulpehocken Rd. Room 1  
Wyomissing, Pa 19610

Joanne Busch  
616 N.2<sup>nd</sup> St  
Reading, Pa 19601

## Faith Around Town



### **Faith at the Movies**

**“Remember the Titans”** Tuesday,  
August 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7, p.m. The Hamburg Strand  
Theater. \$8.00 includes small popcorn and small  
drink. Come and watch a movie and then stay for the  
discussion.

### **IHartHarvest. Inc. All at GBFB,**

Due to weather etcetera, we are expecting  
maybe some +65,000 pounds of potatoes to be  
harvested this season. There is 5.7 Acres (down from  
previous near years of 8).

Group Harvest Sessions can start in August,  
but most likely in earnest the month of September  
through October. There could be more of potatoes,  
but my test digs don't indicate that so much.

Carrots are expected to be October on, maybe  
some +20,000 pounds. There is 1 acre.  
Foldable crates for carrots are already in place.

Sweet Corn harvests every week are expected  
to start the first week of August. Sweet corn has to  
move out quickly before it makes heat in the bins and  
spoils, so decide NOW and let me know the best day  
you would like to receive some, and I'll try to work  
harvests accordingly. IE: to get it on your trucks for  
same day delivery as possible, or in your cooler.  
There are staggered sections or 4 being 1.25 acres.  
A startup of pallets and bins are already in place for  
the first pick of sweet corn harvest for the first week,  
or two, expected to start in 2 weeks through  
September if rains come now.

Thank you. Regards, Walt Zawaski, IHH Exec. Dir.  
<http://sites.google.com/site/ihartharvestinc>

RALLY DAY  
SEPTEMBER, 9<sup>TH</sup> @ 9:15 A.M.

## Church Reports

### Treasurers Report

1-1-17 Beginning Balance	\$18,317.44
General Offering	\$85,087.16
Special Offering	\$36,108.77
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$139,513.37</b>
Current Expenses	\$144,954.77
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$-5,441.40</b>
6-30-18	

## Council Corner

July 2018

Susan Lutz led devotions on July 10, 2018 council meeting. The Treasurer reported we ended the month of June in red with \$5441.40.

All committee reports were shared. WELCA has 9 bags left to be filled for Christmas in July. The next WELCA meeting is 8/16/18 at 6 PM. All women of the church are invited.

Synod Assembly will only be 1-day next year in Hazelton but in 2020 it will be 3 days at the KALAHARI Resort, which is a beautiful resort.

Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup> will be Hunger Sunday with a guest speaker, from the Opportunity House.

The community garden gave zucchini and squash to Friends Inc. Approximately 6+ groups reap the benefit of our garden.

Discussion about the fire alarm system installed by Kistler O'Brien. New curtains are being made for the fellowship hall stage.

Photo directory group is waiting for the 2<sup>nd</sup> proof to be approved. Then they will be available at church for pick up.

Memory Café – waiting for Carol McFadden to get back to us with a scheduled meeting.

Donna Long reported about time and talent sheets which will be given only to new members now but starting in September will be put in the newsletter for everyone.

Pastor met with behavioral specialist for 3 hours. Council still waiting for him to contact us for our meeting.

Prayer Shawl Ministry needs more people who crochet or knit to make shawls at home. More people outside of our church are making them at present than people in our church. Lots of yarn is available, so please contact Susie Lutz if you are willing to crochet or knit and I will furnish you with yarn.

Nov. 11 to 18<sup>th</sup> is Family Promise. We would like to get more people to commit ahead of time to help whether making food or sleeping at church and being a chaperone.

If you have any questions regarding anything mentioned, please see any council member for further information. Submitted by Susan Lutz

**THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!** We are in need of more committee members to help us with our activities throughout the year. Meetings are usually held on the 1st Tuesday of each month. If you are interested, please talk to one of the committee members or come to our next meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm.

# Family Promise

## We Promised!

Zion's is in need of a Family Promise Coordinator / Family Promise Committee. Our next host week is November 11<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup>. The Coordinator / Family Promise Committee would help to coordinate dinner donations each evening, as well as overnight hosts, and site logistics. Training and information is available to help your efforts.

According to FamilyPromise.org, this program offers case management and shelter to homeless families in Berks County, allowing couples or single parents to remain with their children while being sheltered versus being separated by gender. This 90-day program offers enrichment to participants and volunteers alike and helps foster self-sufficiency and community engagement. They partner with congregations throughout Berks County, including Zion's, to provide emergency shelter, meals and assistance to homeless families for about one-third the cost of traditional shelters. Family Promise keeps families together and provides them with a safe, supportive and home-like environment. This is a successful program, with 85% of the families in the Hospitality Network successfully transitioned into permanent housing.

We have committed to this worthwhile program to aid the homeless in our community. Remember, we promised. Will you help us keep that promise? Please contact Eileen Puglia (610-562-9512) or Pastor Bruce if you are interested in working with us or if you want more information.



## Happy Knotters/Quilters

***School Kit workshops is coming to an End.***  
**The last workshop is Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. 8:30 a.m. till 1:30 p.m.** Let's see how many we can do.  
**There is a list of supplies needed to fill these bags hung on the narthex bulletin board and copies of the list in the church office. There is also a donation box for supplies in the narthex. Please consider donating to help fill these school bags.**  
Thank you, Knotters, any questions please contact Eleanor Dietrich at 484.824.438

The Happy Knotters need people willing to sew quilt tops together; they do not have to be perfect. Cut squares and instructions can be picked up in the church office & finished quilt tops shall be returned to the church office. Please sign the paper in front of the quilt when you take squares. Contact the office to donate or for information on this group which meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 9 – 11 a.m.  
**Hey Facebookers who are Happy Quilt Knotters!**  
Why not join [facebook.com/groups/LWRQuilters?](https://www.facebook.com/groups/LWRQuilters/)

### **"SAVE THE DATE"**

WELCA will hold their annual bazaar on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be needed to make this event a success. We will be looking for bakers, kitchen help, flea market help, and filled baskets for the raffle. If you would like to make a basket or two for the raffle, keep your eyes open for end of season and special sale items. Proceeds from the bazaar are used to pay for 1/2 camperships for Zion's youth to attend Bear Creek Camp as well as to support property needs and community outreach projects.



# August Birthday Calendar 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Ava Zimmerman	3	4 Darren Daub
5 Ronald Miller	6	7 Kellie Weiss Ariel Weidner	8	9 Trevor Fegley Kathryn Miller	10	11 William Gundrum Irwin Levan Layla Heckman
12 Virginia Werley	13	14 Dante LaVentura	15 Caleb Neuin Cole Wilhelm	16 Marie Boltz Lori Palubinski	17 Rita Decker Richard Long	18 Brandi Mazika Betty Rohrbach
19	20 Debbie Heckman	21 Roy Sousley	22	23 Allen Billig Esther Derr Charles Stewart	24 Alicia Gough	25
26	27	28	29 Dylan Brown Robin Daub Rita Lopez Henry Seidel	30 Nancy Leiby	31	*Shut In

# August Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	No Scouts during Summer	7:00pm A.A.-Al-Anon	1 No Choir Rehearsal during Summer	2 6:00 p.m. Worship & Music Mtg.  No Bells or Brass during Summer	3	4 <b>6-9pm Pool Party @ Shoe Pool</b>  5:00 pm Worship 7:00pm A.A
5 9:00am Worship	6 <b>Office Closed</b>  7:00pm Committee Head Mtg.	7  7:00pm Christian Ed. Mtg.  7:00pm A.A.-Al-Anon	8	9 9:00am Zion's Cemetery Mtg.	10	11  5:00pm Worship 7:00pm A.A
12 9:00am Worship  <b>Boy Scout Troop #163 Car Show</b>	13 <b>Office Closed</b>	14 9-11am Knotters  7:00pm A.A.-Al-Anon	15	16 11:00am Zion's Senior Adults 6:00pm WELCA 7:00pm Property Mtg. 7:00pm Altar Guild Mtg. 7:00pm Book Club	17 Opportunity House Meal	18  5:00pm Worship 7:00pm A.A
19 9:00am Worship	20 <b>Office Closed</b> 8:30am-1:30pm Knotters School Kits  September Newsletter Due	21  7:00pm A.A.-Al-Anon	22  1:00pm Memory Café	23	24	25  5:00pm Worship 7:00pm A.A
26 9:00am Worship	27 <b>Office Closed</b>	28 9-11am Knotters 7:00pm Faith at the Movies "Remember the Titans"  7:00pm A.A.-Al-Anon	29	30 Mail Team #4	31	



# Strengthening the rights of women through fair trade and solidarity

The life of Isabel Cristina de Souza Cunha and her family, who live in the city of Viamão in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, changed radically in 1996. Brazil was going through a period of political and economic crisis, the number of people who were unemployed was growing fast, and both she and her husband, Harold, had lost their jobs.

For Isabel's family, as well as for thousands of other families, the struggle was for survival. Isabel and Harold's biggest concern was for the well-being of their children, Anderson (7), Eduardo (4), Francieli (3) and William (1). Employment opportunities were rare: sometimes she could find cleaning jobs, and her husband eventually found work as a mason. But there was no guarantee of either food on the table or the means to purchase basic necessities.

In the midst of this uncertainty, Isabel chose to look for opportunities rather than sit still. For years she had felt the need to work on something that would make a difference, not just for her but for her entire community. It was during this time she heard about the fair- and solidarity-trade movement, which focuses on people working together to make sure that their skills are recognized and they are compensated fairly. She learned how women who had marketable skillsets like craft-making, sewing and preparing food joined in groups, associations and cooperatives to produce and sell their goods together.

When the Good Samaritan Child Nursery (linked to the Evangelical Church of the Lutheran Confession in Brazil), where Isabel's children attended school, expressed concern about the number of families suffering as a result of the financial crisis, Isabel saw her opportunity. The nursery proposed that the parents form a business cooperative, and she and her husband immediately decided to get involved.

Forming the cooperative took work - a lot of work. But Isabel persisted, learning, working and caring for her family.

In the early years, Isabel and the other members had to learn a lot, including how to run a business. In a field dominated by men, she and the other women ensured the cooperative's board of directors was composed only of women.



"The issues were many, but slowly we learned how to do it," Isabel says.

Today, the cooperative is called Cooperbom. The challenges continue, especially in the areas of bringing together the various groups involved in this co-op and navigating competition from larger bakeries and food production businesses.

To assist them in overcoming these challenges, Cooperbom decided to join the Fair and Supportive Trade Network project, which was launched by the Lutheran Foundation of Diakonia in 2012 with partnership and support from ELCA World Hunger. The network brings together enterprises like Cooperbom, focusing on the areas of food production, handicrafts, manufacturing and recycling. Cooperbom quickly became one of the most valued partners in this project.

The Fair and Supportive Trade Network is opening up spaces within Brazilian Lutheran communities and Lutheran schools. Now instead of acquiring food and other products from larger companies, Lutheran communities have the opportunity to buy from enterprises like Cooperbom, increasing the income of women. The network also assists enterprises like Cooperbom in overcoming obstacles by providing training and support for women entrepreneurs on topics like sustainability, management, quality assurance and gender justice.

"I think of my history, the problems and opportunities that have brought me here, and I see how much the Cooperbom has grown and developed after joining the Fair and Supportive Trade Network," Isabel says. "As a result of this support, we have improved the quality of our products. We are able to continually invest in improving our enterprise and we have gained new consumers. The improvement of the income of Cooperbom's associates and their quality of life is a direct result of working with the Fair and Supportive Trade Network."

# 20th ANNUAL AUTO SHOW



Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop #163  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2018**  
 (Rain Date August 19, 2018)

## "PERRY TWP. RECREATION AREA"

*Onyx Cave Road, Shoemakersville, PA*

**DIRECTIONS** (Look for Signs)... **From 222 & 662 in Moselem Spring**

At light go North on 662 (Moselem Spring Rd.), right onto Ontelaunee Trail Rd.,  
 left onto Onyx Cave Rd. (Parking on left)

**DOOR PRIZES**

**From 61 & 662 in Shoemakersville**

At light go South on 662 (Moselem Spring Rd.), left onto Windsor Castle Rd.,  
 right onto Onyx Cave Rd. (Parking on right)

**NEW THIS YEAR!**

Boy Scouts' Choice

**"Best In Show" Award**

### CLASSES (no changing of classes day of show)

- |                               |                                    |  |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1. 1900 - 1932 Stock Original | 11. Corvette: 1984 - Current       | 20. Street Machine: 1970 - 1987                  |
| 2. 1933 - 1949 Stock Original | 12. Pontiac Muscle Cars            | 21. Street Machine: 1988 - Current               |
| 3. 1950 - 1959 Stock Original | 13. Chrysler Muscle Cars           | 22. Special Interest (*incl. emergency vehicles) |
| 4. 1960 - 1964 Stock Original | 14. Camaro / Firebird: 1967 - 1980 | 23. 2 WD Trucks: 1900 - 1966                     |
| 5. 1965 - 1969 Stock Original | 15. Mustang: 1964 - 1985           | 24. 2 WD Trucks: 1967 - Current                  |
| 6. 1970 - 1986 Stock Original | 16. Mustang: 1986 - Current        | 25. 4 WD Trucks: ALL                             |
| 7. 1987 - 1995 Stock Original | 17. Street Rods: 1922 - 1936       | 26. Motorcycles: ALL                             |
| 8. Chevy: 1955 - 1960         | 18. Street Rods: 1937 - 1948       | 27. Foreign Cars: ALL                            |
| 9. Corvette: 1953 - 1967      | 19. Street Machine: 1949 - 1969    |  |
| 10. Corvette: 1968 - 1982     |                                    |  |

CONCESSION STAND

### Registration Information

PROFESSIONAL DJ

**Free Admission to Spectators**

Pre-Registration - \$10.00 • Day of Show - \$12.00 • Class 1 - pay only \$5.00  
 (Pre-register by July 31, 2018)

Registration 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM • Judging: starts 12:00 Noon • Trophies: 2:00 PM  
 Trophies awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place

Hoods and Trunk Lids Must Be Open, and Convertible Tops Must Be Up for Judging!

**FIRST 150 RECEIVE DASH PLAQUES**

**Hawaiian Luau Theme!**

## **SMOKEY BEAR Pulled Pork BBQ**

(August 12, 2018 Only - 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., rain or shine)

Includes Pulled Pork, Roll, BBQ Sauce, Baked Potato and Beverage

For Information Call: Christie 610-562-0324 or Dave 610-562-3823

**BBQ AUG. 12 ONLY**

No Alcoholic Beverages, Pets or Bicycles - Thank You!

*Perry Twp. Recreation Area Park or Affiliates and Boy Scout Troop 163 are not responsible for Accidents, Damages or Theft*

**BBQ AUG. 12 ONLY**

# **“Zion’s Evangelical Lutheran Church of Perry Township”**

**Like us on Facebook [www.zionslutheran.org](http://www.zionslutheran.org)**

354 Zions Church Rd, Shoemakersville, PA 19555 Church Office: 610-562-3112

Church Office Email is [churchoffice@zionslutheran.org](mailto:churchoffice@zionslutheran.org)

**The Church Office is open Tuesdays - Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Worship Services:** Saturdays at 5 p.m., Sunday Summer Schedule 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday School Resumes 9/9/18.** 42 Good reasons to go to Sunday School

[www.sundayschoolhelp.org/42book.html](http://www.sundayschoolhelp.org/42book.html)

Check out [www.livinglutheran.org](http://www.livinglutheran.org) and subscribe

**God’s Purpose for Zion’s is to welcome and empower people to grow in faithfulness and service to His mission through the Gospel.**

+ Jesus is Lord and Savior + Honest and open communication + Create and sustain healthy relationships  
+ Share our faith through our daily life + Recognize and encourage people’s spiritual gifts. + Perseverance

## **Zion’s Lutheran Church Staff**

The Rev. Bruce G. Osterhout, Pastor (Cell: 610-914-2795) Email: [pastorbruce@zionslutheran.org](mailto:pastorbruce@zionslutheran.org),  
Administrative Assistant, Amanda Grow; Director of Music Ministry, Don Ryan; Hand Bells/Brass, Steven Turner;  
Custodians, Ruth Hoppes, Brian Moroney, and Karen Mengel; Treasurer, Sandra Moroney

## **2018 Congregation Council Members:**

President: Eileen Puglia; Vice President: Lucille Gough; Secretary: Wanda Hoherchak; Ruth Ann Eyer, Lucille Gough, Mark Dreibelbis, Susan Lutz, Mike Potts, and Tina Blake, and Donna Long

## **Community Ministries @ Zion’s**

Mon nights: Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Boy Scouts 7:30 pm – Pack/Troop 163 No Scouts during Summer  
A.A. and Al-Anon meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. A.A. meets on Saturdays at 7 p.m.

## **Regular Weekly Activities - Please Join in**

Hand bells, and Brass No Rehearsal during Summer

Adult Choir Rehearsal: No Rehearsal during Summer.

[www.readysetreadberks.org](http://www.readysetreadberks.org) Read to a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader a Perry School (8:30-9:15) Tilden School (3:30-4:30)

## **Regular Monthly Activities – Please Join in**

Quilt-Knotters: Second/Fourth Tuesdays 9 - 11 a.m. in the Gold Room (You also can work at home!)

Zion’s Senior Adult Fellowship: Thurs. August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11 a.m.

Zion’s Book Group: Next Meeting is Thurs. August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m.

Serve the Opportunity House Meal every third Friday of the month, Fri. July 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **Food Distribution Volunteers are always welcome each month:**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Lutheran Church of Holy Trinity, Leesport.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 5 - 8 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome at the Hamburg Middle School Pantry Distribution. **You can get community service hours!**

**Visit the Hamburg Salvation Army Family Thrift Store – Take Clothing Donations there – Volunteer - Shop**

**Recent Veterans** can get help at [keystonemilitaryfamilies.com](http://keystonemilitaryfamilies.com) 331 Main St. Shoemakersville.

More info on Facebook. Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Suicide Prevention- Text- ruOK to 484-816-7865, secure, anonymous communication.**

# Zion's Messenger

Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.  
Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m. (Summer Schedule)

## August 2018

**Pastor: Rev. Bruce Osterhout**

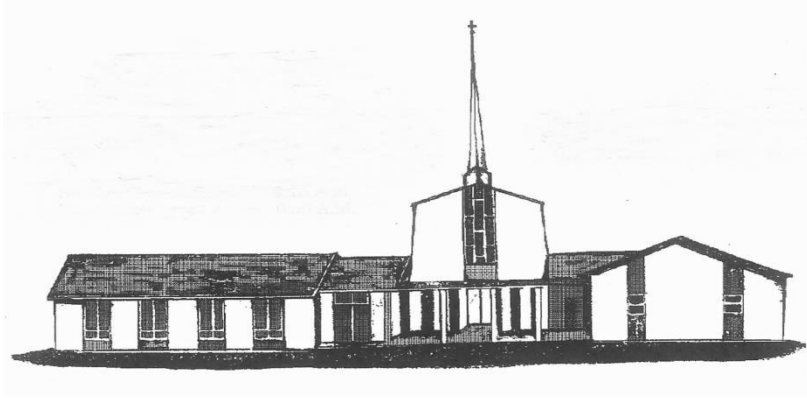
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### **Purpose Statement:**

God's Purpose for Zion's is to welcome and empower people to grow in faithfulness and service to His mission through the Gospel. † Jesus is Lord & Savior † † Honest & open communication † † Create and sustain healthy relationships † † Share your faith through our daily life † † Recognize and encourage people's spiritual gifts † † Perseverance † † A congregation united in Christ making Zion's a destination, not an obligation †

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