



Zion's News



Pastor Rob Myallis

June 2015

***Zion's Mission Statement: Reflecting Christ, we are called to share God's gifts
Let the little children come to me ~ Jesus Christ***

Council announces a Children's Ministry Coordinator for midweek activities

Two years we have been blessed to have two interns help us with our children's ministry. First, Vicar Daniel Clark and this past year Maggie Beuchel assisted us in running various ministries, especially those on Wednesdays.

Unfortunately, this upcoming year we will not have an intern. While it would be lovely, we cannot count on a steady supply of pastoral interns (or exchange students from Germany!).

Council has been debating how to move forward. We believe that our Wednesday ministries are integral to our church and have a great impact on the community. We recognize we need additional staff, beyond volunteers, to manage it. It is too big for me as pastor to handle alone.

One piece of good news is that the intern program was funded through a gift from an estate. Council dedicated these funds to paying for staff that could help us with outreach, especially on Wednesdays. We have some money left in this account and therefore, we can fund a part-time position to help with our midweek ministry.

For those who do not see the church beyond Sundays, I want to give a picture of the scope of children's ministry the rest of the week. In addition to the preschool that happens every day, Wednesday is a huge day. We participate in the Jonestown Council of Church Released Time ministry. Each week nearly 50 3rd grade children receive an hour of Bible instruction. Second, we offer a community meal that often serves 25-40 people. Third, we have a worship service, intentionally open to people with developmental disabilities, that has become a wonderfully safe space for children. This service typically has 30-50 people in attendance. Lastly, we have a Bible study for youth and adults while we have King's Kids, an activity time for children.

All of these activities require a number of volunteers; in today's world, this means, emailing, calling, Facebook messaging and texting folks to coordinate. We hope to hire a person who can assist with these activities but also help manage other volunteers. We also look to this person for their leadership and ideas for improving our ministry in this area. We believe this person should have some background in teaching, leading worship and coordinating volunteers. Some familiarity with the DDS community would also be good. The position would be part-time (8-10 hours a week) with compensation depending on background. We hope to interview people in June so that the person can hit the ground running for the fall. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Pastor Rob or Council President Ed Ludwig (eludadvo@comcast.net; 865-3757). We can provide a more detailed job description.

In Christ, Pastor Rob

Sharing God's Gifts

Featured Ways you can...Reflect Christ and Share your gifts!

Vacation Bible School

Our Vacation Bible School begins Sunday, June 14 and lasts until Thursday, June 18. On Sunday we will serve lunch and then get started until roughly 3. Monday through Thursday, we will have VBS from 9-11 AM. There are so many ways to pitch in for VBS, we have room for everyone. Even if you cannot make it every day, we still have a place for you! Interested? Questions? Contact Michele McQuaide (michelemcquaide@rocketmail.com; 330-958-3399)

Joint-Church Park Project

The Jonestown Council of Churches is hoping to plan a joint church event at Jonestown Park involving some clean-up and light maintenance (painting, etc). We would like someone to serve as liaison for this opportunity. Please see Pastor Rob (rev.rob@comcast.net; 865-3652) if interested.

Altar Guild

One of the most profound ways to help in worship is setting up the altar area. If you are interested in this, please contact Nancy Kleinfelter (865-4567).

Summer Study: What is different about Lutheran thinking?

We acknowledge that we share a similar faith to countless other Christians. What about Lutheran thinking is different? There are actually a couple of ways in which the Lutheran approach to the Bible, God and Worship is different than mainstream Christian churches in America, most of which were heavily influenced by John Calvin and John Wesley. Join Pastor Rob for a study on the Lutheran Way of thinking in three sessions this summer (details on Christian Ed. Page)

Faith 5: Home Devotions

For the past year, a number of families in the church have been trying Faith 5 Home Devotions. This is an easy method where families

- SHARE your highs and lows
- READ a Bible verse or story
- TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows
- PRAY for one another's highs and lows
- BLESS one another

We invite you to come to a morning Sunday School, at 9:15 AM, on June 7, to learn about, practice and begin implementing this way of doing devotions in your family. If you have already begun using Faith5, we invite you to come out and join us, sharing what you have learned.

Social Ministry

Chair: Sharon Davis (dsdavis11@comcas.net, 865-2781)

Lebanon County Christian Ministries

(LCCM) Wish List:

Food Bank:

Boxed potatoes/stuffing
Canned Pasta/Soups
Boxed Meals
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit

Other:

Bath & Hand Towels
Wash cloths
Diapers
Baby Wipes
King/Qu Sheets
& Blankets

Clothing Bank:

Men's pants (28-36)
Men's shoes (8-10.5)

Women's Dresses & Skirts

Place contributions in the container marked "LCCM" in social hall. (Watch expiration dates)



Homebound Birthday for Cards, calls, visits!

Anna Sterner

Cedar Haven Rm. 202D

590 S. 5th Ave

PH: 717-202-7079

Lebanon, PA 17042

Birthday: June 29

Jonestown Outreach Pantry (JOY)

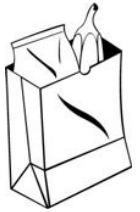
Wish List:

Food Bank:

Pancake syrup & Mix
Chili, Spam, Rice
Boxed potatoes
Stuffing Mix
Mixed Vegetables
Canned Soup & Stew
Boxed Cake & Cookie mix
Canned beets, carrots, lima beans, corn

Other:

Baby Wipes
Shampoo
Conditioner
Deodorant
Diapers
Dish detergent
Kleenex



Place contributions in the container marked

"JOY" in social hall. (Watch expiration dates)

Thank you

God has fed my spirit, my body, and my mind with the congregation's thoughts, prayers and visits. Thanks so much! - Ann Kulp

Congratulations to our High School Graduates

(This year they all are graduating from Northern Lebanon)

Gavin Bender, son of David & Angie Bender will pursue an electrical apprenticeship to become a journeyman's electrician at CM High, Myerstown, PA.

Kenny Redinger, son of Duane & Bonny Redinger will study to become an EMT at Harrisburg Area Community College.

Eric Schulden, son of Anton & Susan Schulden will major in political science with a minor in paralegal studies at Kutztown University.

Ben Smith, son of Nancy Smith will study diesel technology at the University of Northwestern Ohio.

Jordan Smith, son of Blaine & Jodi LaBoy is working at Soprano's in Annville. His future plans are undecided.

Summer Music

During the Summer, our choirs take a break and give us all a time to share our talents individually or in small groups. We welcome instrumental or vocal offerings. There is a sign up sheet on the board in the Gathering Area. Just pick your date and let us know what you would like to sign or play.

Serving at Zion's: Sound Tech

Sound Tech - The sound technicians control the microphones in the sanctuary during worship and record the service to share with our shut-ins and online worshipers. Training on the "sound board" is provided and there are opportunities for everyone from the novice to the expert who would help plan the future of the system. The primary talent needed is being able to follow the service and follow directions. Assignments are set on a one Sunday rotation, so the frequency of service depends upon the number of people in the group. This job is open to high school age and older and guarantees you the best seat in the house! To volunteer, contact coordinator Lynn Kleinfelter or Noel Strattan.

Koinonia News:

Upcoming Activities -June 19 – 21 – Koinonia hosts Annual Shore Weekend at the Roman Holiday in North Wildwood, New Jersey. All are welcome!

Sat. July 11 – Picnic/meeting at the home of Paul & Janet Bird. Watch for sign-up sheet on the small bulletin board in the Gathering Area.

Projects- The Hollyberry Bazaar will be held on Sat. Nov. 7. Please contact Kristin Hoffer, jkhoffer@yahoo.com or Heather Moyers, maximcontractors@comcast.net, if you have a craft that you would like to donate. Watch for information for a craft day during the summer months, when we will get together to make crafts. Book donations for the bazaar will be accepted during the month of October. Please store your donations at home until Oct., since we have no where to store them at the church.

Renovations, Phase II

This summer there will be significant work done in the Sunday School Wing. If you have a ministry that uses this space during the summer, please see Deb Reiner to discuss the scheduling of various projects. We thank everyone for their flexibility. We are confident that come next fall, we will certainly enjoy using a space that is safer, more efficient and more hospitable. We thank God for the spirit of service and generosity that exists in our congregation.



Babysitting

Our church has some great youth we recommend you consider for babysitting:

Kylee Moyers (12th grade):
cell 829-9511

Rebecca Boisvert (12th grade):
cell 673-7044.
rebecca.boisvert@gmail.com

Riley Houser (10th grade):
home 865-6693 or cell 383-9113

Tori Moyers (9th grade):
821-2227 (Mom Heather's cell #)

Christian Education & Youth

Chair: Tracy Hoy (tlh328@verizon.net;272-6542)

Joyful Spirits Worship

During the summer, we will hold Joyful Spirits worship at the Jonestown Park on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month. Rumor has it there will be Ice Cream! Come join us!

Upcoming:

Wednesday, June 3, 6:15

Wednesday, June 17, 6:15

Women's Bible Study

Will take a break for the summer. Thanks to Emily Myallis for her leadership; thanks to Janet Bird for helping to coordinate; thank you to everyone for opening up your homes!



Wise Guy's Bible Study

Every 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m., men are invited to Bible Study in the social hall, with breakfast!

Zion's Youth Update

For the month of May we had two youth group meetings. Our first youth group meeting in May was held on Mother's Day. We are happy to say that lots of the youth had special plans with their Mother's. We had a small, fun, and quite meaningful youth group meeting that evening. The weather was good for "a prayer walk", one of the several things we did and talked about.

Our second youth group meeting in May, had a surprise twist, just like the first Youth Group meeting we held at Zion's. This time no popcorn. :-) The dinner became part of the theme. There was a wide range of emotions while we ate our dinners. Everything from Eww to lots of laughter. As usual, Jim and Laurie even had a back-up plan in place.

Upcoming Events: Monday, June 29th - Faith in Films at Jim and Laurie's house. This will include dinner and a service project. 5 P.M. - 9 P.M.

Sunday, July 12th currently Laser Tag at Laser Factory in Annville, 2 P.M. - 6 P.M. the cost is \$20.00 (plus pocket change for arcade etc.). We will meet at Laser Factory directly. The back-up plan, is miniature golf if Laser Factory is closed. Tom's youth group will be encouraged to attend the event with us. Plus possibly another youth group too!

****** For the summer events we will wait around for 15 minutes after the time scheduled. Please text/notify us if you are going to be late. ****** It's not fair to others, for us to wait if you can't make the event.-Laurie and Jim Gill

Summer Sunday School

May 31 is the last Sunday School class for levels 1, 2 and 3 until the fall. During the summer we have many special events, including VBS, Church Picnic and faith5 event.

Rally Day and Fall Carnival (Sept 13)

4:00 with Jim Rule concert, followed by hot dogs, etc, and games. (There not will be penny toss game, so we do not need glass donations.)

Bible Study this summer

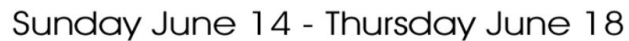
Pastor Rob will offer a class on what is different about Lutheran theology. It will be taught in three parts.

June 3: God and creation

June 17: God and saving

July 1: God and holiness

Each class will be held at the park pavilion at 7 PM following Joyful Spirits.



Sunday will be our
OPENING KICK OFF From
12:00pm - 3:00pm

Complete with lunch and all the VBS Fun!!



Monday - Thursday is our regular 9-11:30



Registration is open to ages 3-12

****New this year is online registration!****

Register online:

<https://vbs.chp.org/tools/ChurchInfo.aspx?Church=FE606A0C>

Questions or Volunteer information:
Contact Michele McQuaide
(330)958-3399

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Kids - take the **"By Heart" Challenge** this summer

hosted by Emily Myallis, Diaconal Minister

Your Challenge: to learn parts of the Bible or Catechism **by Heart!**

Recite your memory work to Ms. Emily before July 8th, and receive a ticket to **the Pizza & POOL party on Sunday, July 12 3-6pm!**

Your mission, should you choose to accept it:

Completed preschool, K or 1st grade: The Lord's Prayer

Completed 2nd grade: The 10 Commandments

Completed 3rd grade: The Apostle's Creed

Completed 4th grade: 3 Favorite Bible Verses

Completed 5th grade: Lyrics to your favorite Hymn

Older Siblings: the Books of the Old Testament or New Testament

POOL Party Details: Sunday, July 12th from 3-6pm at the Hoffer's Home. Pizza, Drinks and Treats included. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.



COUNCIL

President: Ed Ludwig (eludadv@comcast.net; 865-3757)

Highlights from May 14, 2015 Council Meeting:

- This month's hallmark of a vibrant congregation is generosity. Zion's is a generous congregation! This last month there was an unbelievable display of generosity at Zion's: Job Fair, Seeds of Faith, a congregational vote to spend 60K and the DDS dance. We rejoice.
- Electronic giving is up to 25% of the church's weekly offerings.
- We say thank you to Maggie; Council also approved a plan to utilize remaining intern money to fund a part-time Children's ministry coordinator whose primary focus would be Wednesdays.
- Council approved Mike Johnsen looking into significant sound booth repairs as well as balcony carpet.

Farewell to Maggie

Maggie Beuchel is completing her volunteer year at Zion's this June. The congregation is invited to two opportunities to thank Maggie for her work here and bless her as she returns to Germany.

- ◇ Wednesday, June 17th at the Jonestown Park Pavilion, following outdoor Joyful Spirits Worship at 6:15, we'll have an ice cream social 6:45-8pm.
- ◇ Sunday, June 28th join in the Social Hall during "Getting to Know You Time" (10am) for special surprises of thanksgiving.

On behalf of the whole congregation, we give thanks to God for Maggie's time and work at Zion's, especially with the Preschool, Wednesday Nights and the Youth!



Christian Summer Camp

There are two Lutheran Bible Camps in the area: Camp Kirchenwald and Camp Nawakwa. Programs begin for kindergarten students through 12th grade. There are even family camps. (Pastor Rob and his family are giving Family Camp a try this year!) Combined with Zion's contribution and a few other available discounts, a week of camp costs between \$150 and \$200. Should there be a financial need, Lutheran Church Camping in Central Pennsylvania offers camperships that will help you pay your 50% fee. Visit the Camping Website www.lutherancamping.org to learn more! Brochures/registration forms are on the counter at the small bulletin board in the gathering area or on the bulletin board in the lower level foyer.



Connecting Faith and Finances for Good

Helping you to be wise with money and live generously

Do you love helping a neighbor in need? Do you like baseball? Then join us on Thursday, June 11 for an evening with the Lancaster Barnstormers. Many of you helped Jayden Gonzalez, a 9-year old nephew of Laura and Darryl Bush, through the Lego Fundraiser. (Thank you for this!) Funded in part by a Thrivent Action Team, this event helped pay for a wheelchair-accessible van for Jayden. The generosity continues: The Lancaster Barnstormers have named June 11 as Jayden Gonzalez night! With every ticket purchased using the below fundraising code, the Barnstormers will donate \$4.00 to help offset Jayden's medical expenses.

To buy your tickets, please go to <http://lancasterbarnstormers.com> and click the "Fundraising Login" box. Scroll down and click the "Friends of Jayden Gonzalez" link, type the 'captcha' code, and then enter the Group Password "JAYDEN". If you have any questions, please contact Jim Gill (867-1500) or Laura Bush (269-1102).





June 2015



SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Committee Night	3 6:15 JOYFUL SPIRITS @ Jonestown Park 7:00 Bible Study @ Park	4	5	6
7 9:15 Sunday School ("Faith 5" Home Devotions) 10:30 Worship	8 15th Newsletter Deadline	9	10	11 7:00 pm Council	12	13 8:00 Men's Bible study
14 No Sunday School 10:30 Worship Vacation Bible begins with lunch after worship til 3pm	15	16	17 6:15 JOYFUL SPIRITS @ Jonestown Park 7:00 Bible Study @ Park	18	19	20 Beach Weekend!
21 No Sunday School 10:30 Worship	22	23	24 9:00 am sewing	25	26	27
28 No Sunday School 10:30 Worship Getting to know you time	29 5:00 Youth Group @ Gill's	30			Bulletin deadline is every Tuesday	

Upcoming:

July 1 – Bible Study @ park (7pm)
July 19 – Congregational Picnic
Sept. 13 – Rally Day, Fall Carnival

Spang Crest Summer Concert Series

June 9 @ 7:00 pm – Keystone Band of Rehrersburg in the pavilion area, weather permitting.

Lebanon Lutheran Mission Trip: As you may be aware, Zion's youth group will again be traveling to West Virginia to build with Habitat for Humanity. Following is a list of items you can donate to help out. Please place items on the cart under the Secretary's office window. Thank you.

Spaghetti	Cereal	Snacks of any kind	Large garbage bags
Saltines	Handi-wipes	12 oz PAPER bowls	Bottles of water
Peanut butter	Paper towels	Toilet paper	Charcoal
Ketchup	9 oz or 12 oz PAPER cups		

Worship Participants for June

	Lectors	Crucifer	Sound Tech	Acolytes	Counters	Prayers of the People	Nursery
7	Jill Bugdanavage	Kevin Feagley	Eric Schulden	Daulton Fortna Donny Redinger	Larry & Sharon Houser	Deb Reiner	Gizelle McFarland
14	Lynda Myers	Jim Adams	Ben Smith	Jacob & Joseph Beidler	Ken Nelson Jr. Kelly Rittle	Elaine Ludwig	Cathy & Riley Houser
21	Cathy Houser	Lynn Kleinfelter	Lynn Kleinfelter	Paige Sebastian Tori Moyers	Darryl Bush Deb Reiner	Maggie Beuchel	Monica Bortz Ms. Moyers
28	Sharon Houser	Brian Adams	Noel Strattan	Becca & Joey Hoffer	Debbie Long	Ed Ludwig	Darryl & Laura Bush

Altar Guild	Ushers	Communion Assistants	Getting to know you time
6/7 Noel/Karen 6/14,21 Nancy/Lois 6/28 Pam/Dawn	Al Reiner, Steve Wolfe, Dan Livingston, Darryl Bush	6/7,6/14 Ken & Dean Hess 6/21,6/28 Pam Bixler & Linda Wenrich	Mutual Ministry Committee