# Social Ministry

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

# <u>Lebanon County Christian Ministries</u> (LCCM) Wish List:

#### Food Bank:

Canned Soups Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit Peanut Butter

Canned Meats/Stews

Other:

Mens & Womens shorts Men's Plus Size apparel King/Qu Sheets/Blankets Men's Shoes (9-13)

Men's Pants (28-36)

**Reusable Plastic Containers** 

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

# Homebound Birthday (Cards, Calls, Visits) \*\*\*NEW ADDRESS\*\*\*



Elvin Heller PH: 298-3190

Country Meadows Apt. 225

451 Sand Hill Rd. Birthday Sept. 8

Hershey, PA 17033

#### **Kitchen News:**

Please pick up your dishes from the church kitchen:

- 1. Large Corning Ware casserole dish w/lid
- 2. Large Red Tupperware bowl w/lid
- 3. Popcorn Bowl (popcorn is for sharing)
- 4. Pyrex bowl
- 5. 9x13 cake pan w/lid
- 6. Sango dinner plate

# **Attention College Students**



As you return to school, please update your address with the church secretary (zions@comcast.net). We want to keep you up to date with newsletters, goodie boxes, etc.

# Jonestown Outreach Pantry (JOY) Wish List:

Food Bank: Other:

Pancake syrup & Mix Shampoo/Conditioner

Canned meats/chicken Kleenex

Baked Beans Laundry detergent

Canned Stew/pasta Toilet tissue

Canned beets/potatoes/chili

Peanut butter/jelly Mayonnaise

Chicken Noodle Soup

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

Joy no longer needs egg boxes, baby food or plastic bags.

# 8th Annual Jim Northridge Spaghetti Miracle



Sunday, Sept. 25, following worship, in Zion's social hall.

A Spaghetti dinner will be served to benefit Jonestown Outreach pantry (JOY). Bring a box of pasta and a jar of sauce. Everyone is invited!

It is with great joy that we announce the ministry Call to Pastor Caitlin M. Glass, her first worship with us will be September 4.

**WELCOME!** 

#### Christian Education & Youth

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

### Children's Sunday School Begins .... Rally Sunday - September 11th

Pancake Breakfast at 9am followed by Sunday School in the classrooms for levels 1-3 and a Bible Study with Pr. Caitlin for all others in the Social Hall.

Please note: beginning September 18th Sunday school will begin at 9:15. Children in levels 1-3 will gather in the Level 3 room for singing and devotions and then go to their classes.

Please consider sharing you love of Jesus and children and help teach a Sunday school class. We are in need of teachers for Levels 1 and 2. Please contact Tracy Hoy if interested.

# Zion's Youth Update



"See you in September" as the song goes... Wow it's already here! But before we summarize Summer, and add September information we need for you to mark your calen-Meeting dars. IMPORTANT: Parent's Meeting, Thursday Night, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm, please be prompt. Your attendance is a vital part of us working in partnership with you and your teens. We held three summer events... In early June we took a "Pilot

full" of youth/teens to Messiah College where we packed/moved boxes of nutritional food packets for local needs. Each box of 36 packets, fed 6 people. The event was part of the organization Kid's Against Hunger. It was wonderful to see so many caring hearts at the event! Later in June we had "Hot Wings and Hot Topics" at our home and the local wings place. Mid-August we had planned to go to Adventure Sports, but, plans changed due excessive heat. We opted for lunch at The Jigger Shop, then headed to The Pet Place—Along with seeing all the great possible pets, we also learned that faith themes even exist there.....Imagine if God decided to make you a cricket instead of a girl or boy? It was a great day!

Now - September: First event of the year.. Rally Day, September 11th - The Youth will help with the Pancake Breakfast. Following Church and pizza, the youth and ourselves will participate in the Thrivent Action Team service project litter clean-up. \*\* Remember, new YG: permission slips/form are due before the end of September\*\* \*\*\* Mark Your Calendars: October 6th, Thursday evening (see above) YG: Parent's Meeting. Sunday, October 9th, First YG Meeting of The Year- after church, lunch will be provided. In His Service, Jim and Laurie



# God's Work . . Our Hands



September 11th "God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as a church. This is a day of service, to show others we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

There will be sign up sheets in the gathering area for participation in your choice of 3 service projects. We will fuel up with pizza after worship on Sunday September 11th, then disperse to your chosen service! Thrivent Financial has graciously funded the following projects for us complete with t-shirts to wear for the event!

- 1. Assemble school kits for Lutheran World Relief with a goal of three dozen.
- 2. Assist Mike Long & Al Reiner with the replacement of two signs on either end of town, advertising Jonestown churches.
  - 3. Jonestown litter clean-up.

Please consider helping with this fun event! Any questions, contact Kelly Rittle 926-1785

## COUNCIL

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

#### Council Highlights from 8/11/16 meeting

- YouTube worship service presentations are now up and functioning with correction of the audio problems
- Children & Youth are encouraged to attend worship on Aug. 21 thru Sept. 4 to discover "clues" placed in the church that will show them what Sunday School is all about this year.
- People are encouraged to participate in this years "God's Work, our Hands" on Rally Day, Sept. 11.

#### Dear Zion's,

I'm writing to explain a longstanding unspoken guideline that has recently been put into official language and published by Synod. The document is called 'A Covenant of Closure' and is a guideline for the relationship of a congregation and former Pastors. I will gladly provide the document which Council has signed in its two page entirety to anyone who requests to see it.

Simply put, the agreement states the expectation that Pastors, and their family members, and former congregations 'cut the cord' regarding matters of business and congregation life. For example it would be inappropriate for a former Pastor to perform a wedding or funeral for his or her former congregation.

This is not to imply that personal friendships and relationships may not continue, or are in any way inappropriate. If you need further guidance on this issue, please contact me.

Ed Ludwig, Council Pres.

#### Koinonia News

**Upcoming Activities:** Next Meeting – Saturday, Sept. 10, 6:30 pm, at the church.

**Projects:** Hollyberry Bazaar - Saturday, November 5th

Books: A book bin will be located in the social hall for gently used book donations for the bazaar.

Contact Jean Fowler, 926-7793, with questions.

We are always looking for new craft ideas for the 2016 Bazaar. Contact Kristin Hoffer (jkhoffer@yahoo.com) or Heather Moyers (info@maximcontractors.com) for more information.

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In Memory of Elva Heller: In Memory of Dick Kneasel
By: Richard and Karen Hitz
By: Richard and Karen Hitz

Mary Ann Nelson
In Memory of Marion Smith: The Wolferd Family
By: William Ludwig Wayne Anspach

Mary Ann Nelson Robert and Sundra Sweigert Richard and Karen Hitz Nancie Young

Paul and Janet Bird Jim and Vicki Garrett
Donald and Sharon Davis Robert and Carol Frantz

Beatrice Wolferd Dietrich's Meats and Country Store



# Zion's 10th Annual and Final Fall Carnival Sunday, October 2, 4-6:15 pm.

4:00-Jim Rule Concert 5:00-6:15 Free Food 5:15-6:15 GAMES 6:15-6:30 Prize distribution

- See the Calendar for more details!

Evangelism

Chair: Elaine Ludwig (eludadvo@comcast.net; 865-3757)

#### **Teddy Bear Ministry**

Teddy bears seated on the window sills in our sanctuary are for Zion's Teddy Bear Ministry. No matter a person's age, those who are celebrating, sad, ill, grieving, or in need of love, would welcome a bear to hug. If you know someone who would appreciate a Zion's bear, they are available for purchase. Bears have a tag saying: "I have been living at the Zion's Lutheran Church in Jonestown, PA. I have been loved

by members, learned from sermons and scripture, and heard songs of praise. I have been soaked in God's love and come to you with blessings of hope and love from our congregation." The back of the tag gives the church's name, address, telephone number, web address, and Facebook page, and asks the bear owner to drop us a line to let us know what receiving the bear has meant to them. Bears cost \$10.00, which sustains the ministry. You're welcome to take a bear from the window sills. When a bear is purchased, another takes its place in the sanctuary. Please give cash, or a check payable to Zions, to Christine Techky.

#### **NEW SPONSORED MISSIONARY FOR ZION'S**

This year we have chosen Luke Swanson, who will serve in Argentina and Uruguay. Luke has spent most of his life in eastern Pennsylvania, near Allentown. He is a lifelong Lutheran and says he is becoming more and more committed to the Church every day. He is not certain at this point where his life will take him but he believes that by the end of the YAGM year, he may well consider seminary as an option. Luke has always been interested in international studies, and when he attended Millersville University in Lancaster County, he majored in International Studies and minored in Spanish.

### **Connecting Faith and Finances for Good**



Helping you to be wise with money and live generously

#### "A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP"

When we think about stewardship we typically think about giving financially to the church. We view stewardship as how we manage our finances and our faithfulness in giving to God's people and to God's church. But what if we begin to think about stewardship in a different way? Not about what we are called to give, but how we are called to be and to live.

In the most basic sense, stewardship is managing what belongs to someone else. Psalm 24 tells us: "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it ..." The concept of stewardship refers to how we manage the life God has given us: How we use our time, what we do with our gifts, talents and possessions, and how we care for ourselves and the physical environment around us.

The following principles help us to better understand the idea of stewardship:

- Caretaking God owns it, we care for it.
- **Responsibility** God trusts us by placing things into our hands.
- Accountability We strive to ensure that our use of what has been entrusted to us reflects the heart of God.
- Blessed It's rewarding to use our gifts for a greater purpose. Sometimes, we find ourselves entrusted to care
  for even more.

Stewardship is a privilege calling us to wisely manage all that we have been given. Do our work with excellence. Care for our bodies. Seek opportunities to serve. Stewardship motivates the follower of Christ to move into action, living in ways that manifest our belief in God. Begin today by reflecting on the principles of stewardship: Caretaking, responsibility, accountability and blessed.

This article is provided compliments of Thrivent Financial representative Jim Gill. Contact him at 867-1500, jim.gill@thrivent.com.

Worship

Chair: Noel Strattan (dns@telecommute.net; 865-7747)

#### **GETTING INVOLVED:**

Have you ever noticed that list of names in your bulletin titled "Serving at Zion's Today" and wondered how you could become one of them? Back to School time is a good time to consider how you can become involved in worship at Zion's for the coming year. We have opportunities for all ages. All participation is on a rotating basis, so the frequency of service depends upon the number of people doing each job. The list of service coordinators is below. Please contact them to volunteer.

Acolytes	Max Ludwig	583-2256
Altar Guild	Noël Strattan	865-7747
Childrens Sern	non Deb Reiner	861-5548
Choir, Adult	Joel Guldin	865-3603
Choir, Youth	Elaine Ludwig	865-3757
Communion A	865-5678	
Crucifers	Jim Adams	865-4141
Lectors	Ken Hess	865-2884
Prayers of the	865-6333	
Sound Technic	865-5678	
Ushers	Al Reiner	861-5548

We will be sharing more details about the various positions in upcoming newsletters.

# **Wednesday Nights**

Will resume on **September 14!!!** 

5:30 - Family meal

6:15-6:45 - JOYFUL SPIRITS WORSHIP

6:45 - Kings Kids

Join us every Wednesday for a delicious meal followed by a JOYFUL worship! Kings Kids will have a Biblical playdate following the worship service.

Look for Bible Study information in our weekly bulletins.

Sign-up to help with dinners on the sheet outside the kitchen, in the hallway.

#### First Responder Sunday

Sunday, September 11 we will be honoring the First Responders who dedicate themselves to keeping our community safe. Fire fighters, ambulance, and police personnel

are invited to join us for the Rally Day breakfast and we will be recognizing and praying for them during the service.



#### **Sound Technicians**

We will be offering training for new sound techs in the near future. Duties include setting up the recording and broadcasting system and controlling the microphones during the service and are generally confined to service time on Sunday mornings. So, if you would like to have the best seat in the house, call Lynn Kleinfelter, 865-5678, or Noel Strattan 865-7747.

### **Electronic Giving**

Interested in simplifying how you give to the church? You can now sign up for Electronic Giving through the internet. You can also go to our website and click on the "Giving" link.

# Thank You so much!

Ruth Adams and her boys wish to Thank everyone for the Prayer quilt, the prayers, meals, cards, visits, and concern shown to Ruth. Thank you also to Pastor Wayne for the visits and prayers.

Thank you to all who helped with mother's funeral and luncheon. The service and choir were beautiful and the luncheon was great - mother would be proud. We appreciate all the kind words of encouragement during this difficult time. Zion Lutheran - you were mother's family. Thank you - Beverly Kreider, Craig Smith, Jeff Smith. (Marion Smith's children)

#### **Lutheran Camp News**

WOW! Women's Outdoor Weekend at Kirchenwald - September 16-17

• This faith-filled weekend will bring out your adventurous side with options like hiking, boating, and climbing. The retreat runs from 7pm on Friday until 4pm on Saturday. All ages are welcome and participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. \$65 per person includes accommodations in SchreiberHaus Lodge, all activities, and meals.



#### Lutheran Camping Night at the York Revolution - September 17

 The York Revolution and the Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central PA are teaming up on Saturday, September 17 as the Revolution take on the Long Island Ducks. 50% from each ticket sold through this offer will go back to the Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central PA! Tickets are \$8.00 each. For more information about this event, or to purchase tickets, please visit <a href="https://www.lutherancamping.org/events/omnyork.php">https://www.lutherancamping.org/events/omnyork.php</a> or contact the Camping Office at 717-677-8211.

#### Capture the Flag at Kirchenwald - October 2

Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance. Invite
your friends and family (parents, too) to join you in this CTF summer reunion event. Play alongside familiar faces from your week at camp, plus campers from every other week of the summer.
Campfire worship to follow.

#### Book Study Retreat at Nawakwa - October 4-6

 A Book Study Retreat on the books: The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd and Song Yet Sung by James McBride. Retreat led by Sister Marianne Brock. All meals are included in the price and served at the Dining Hall. This mid-week retreat begins Tuesday morning and ends with lunch on Thursday. Registration Fee: \$145.00

General Event Registration Form: <a href="https://www.lutherancamping.org/forms/GenRegForm.pdf">https://www.lutherancamping.org/forms/GenRegForm.pdf</a>

# **Lutheran Marriage Encounter**

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: The September 16-18 Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend is now full. (You may contact the Directors listed below to be on a waiting list.) However, there is still room for YOU at the October 21-23 Weekend at Olmsted Retreat in Ludlow, PA. Please consider whether it is time for you to rekindle the romance and realize the full potential of your marriage with all the joy and beauty that God intends. Olmsted Retreat is a beautiful, serene location in the Allegheny National Forest, a couple hours north of Pittsburgh. Weekends run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday at approximately 3 PM. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are covered by a \$100.00 per couple registration fee plus a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish that you are given the opportunity to make toward the end of the weekend. Registrations are limited, so sign up TO-DAY by going to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and pay the fee with a credit card, or mark the option to mail a check. For questions, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.



# September 2016



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SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		ulletin deadline every Tuesday		1 Committee Night	2	3
4 10:30 Worship Pastor Caitlyn's First Worship with us	5 Day	6 7:00 pm Evangelism committee meeting	7	8 7:00 Council meeting	9	10 6:30 pm Koinonia
9:00 Pancake Breakfast 9:30 Bible study with Pr. Caitlyn followed by Sunday School promotion 10:30 Worship	1	13 nder Recognition x, our Hands after	14 5:30 Family Meal 6:15 <b>JOYFUL SPIRITS</b> 6:45 Bible Study/ Kings kids	15 Newsletter deadline	16	17
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25 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Spaghetti Miracle following Worship	26	27	28 9:00 am sewing 5:30 Family Meal 6:15 JOYFUL SPIRITS 6:45 Bible Study/ Kings kids	29	30	31

#### **Mark Your Calendars:**

Sunday, October 2, 2016

The 10th annual and FINAL Fall Carnival

4:00-Jim Rule Concert

5:00-6:15 Free hot dogs, drinks, snacks, & desserts

5:15-6:15 GAMES

6:15-6:30 Prize distribution

Questions-contact Janet Bird 865-5636



The carnival will begin in the social hall with the Jim Rule Concert. Food will be served immediately after. The games will begin at 5:15, Bingo will be held in the social hall. In the event of rain, all activities will take place inside. A Thrivent Action Team will be used to purchase prizes and food. There will NOT be a penny toss this year. Please pass this invitation to all - it is all FREE!

Volunteers/ family/person/groups are needed to help with games. (we have games or you can bring your own) Set-up, supervise from 5:15-6:15, and clean up. (you do not have to distribute prize tickets) Contact Janet Bird 865-5636, jbird75@comcast.net.

# **Worship Participants for September**

	Lectors	Crucifer	Acolytes	Nursery Attendants	Counters	Prayers of the People	Altar Guild
1 4	Sharon	TBD	Joey Hoffer	Kelly Rittle	Larry & Sharon	lMatt Wolte	Noel Strattan
	Houser		Max Ludwig	Grace & Stella Ludwig	Houser		Karen Brown
11	Christine	Jim Adams	Mason Livingston	Michele McQuaide Ken Nelson J Kelly Rittle	Ken Nelson Jr.	lLeah Wolfe	Noel Strattan
	Techky		Xander McQuaide		Kelly Rittle		Karen Brown
18	Elaine	TBD	Gavin Bush	Darryl Bush Elly	Darryl Bush	ll inda Toth 🔠	Jennifer Boisvert
	Ludwig	טפו		Katie Boisvert Ludwig	Deb Reiner		Noel Strattan
25	Ed Ludwig Brian Adams	Jacob & Joseph	Gizelle McFarland	Doblong	Laurie Gill	Jennifer Boisvert	
		Adams	Beidler	Greta Kaufman	Deb Long	Laurie Giii	Dawn Wolfe

Communion Assistants	Ushers	Getting to know you time	
4,11 Pam Bixler & Ann Kulp	Al Reiner, Steve Wolfe,	Christian Education Committee	
18,25 Noel Strattan & Stacy Clark	Darryl Bush, Tom Mohn		