



The Rosette

April, 2023

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Back in February, we began the season of Lent with a cross shaped ashen reminder of our mortality. From the prophet Joel, we also heard the summons to “return to the Lord with all your heart.” In a sense, Lent is a season for “heart health” as we pray “create in me a clean heart O God,” and as we exercise our hearts in keeping the spirit and disciplines of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday this year I preached with reference to Psalm 51:17 “... a broken and troubled heart O God you will not despise.” Knowing that God accepts our hearts just as they are, and trusting that God holds our hearts with holy and gentle hands, is grace for our lives.

For those who choose to follow and walk with Jesus throughout Holy Week, our hearts can't help but skip a beat or two as Jesus' own heart is betrayed, broken, and extinguished on the cross. And then God does something new for human hearts on Easter. When Jesus appears to 2 disciples on the road to Emmaus, they said “were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening scripture to us?” (Luke 24:32)

A friend once called this “holy heart burn.” Holy heart burn is an intense sense of hope and wonder that Christ is risen and that God's power for life is greater than death. Holy heart burn is joy and gratitude that because he lives, we too will live.

Yes, our hearts may be weary and broken, but with the surprise of resurrection, God's love has been poured into our hearts (Romans 5:5). Because Christ is Risen, our hearts too may burn within us, filled with joy and thanksgiving for the good news of Easter. At Easter we celebrate our hearts burning within us, that holy heart burn, because with the Risen Christ we have peace and hope and newness of life. Alleluia!

Pastor Kate



Holy Week

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Week and Easter

The Way to Easter is by Way of the Cross. Worship during Holy Week is meant to help us on the Way. Beginning on Palm Sunday, continuing on to Maundy Thursday and into Good Friday, we journey with Jesus as he transforms a tree of death into the tree of life.



April 2, Palm/Passion Sunday 9:15 am worship with blessing of the palms and holy communion

Holy Week begins with “all glory, laud and honor,” as Jesus enters Jerusalem and the crowds shout Hosanna! The joyous acclamation and the waving of palms soon gives way to shouts of condemnation as Jesus is arrested and sentenced to death. In our worship for this day we will remember the events of holy week with a congregational reading of the passion story, according to the gospel of Matthew.

April 6, Maundy Thursday at 7 pm

“On the night he was betrayed,” the community of Jesus’ disciples shared a meal together. As the season of Lent comes to an end this night, we too will share a holy meal “in remembrance of Him.” Maundy Thursday commemorates the new commandment (“mandatum”) to love one another as Jesus loves us. Our worship ends with the stripping of the altar and a silent dismissal as we prepare to see the face of love on the cross on Good Friday.

April 7, Good Friday at Noon: The Way of the Cross

We meet on this Good Friday to travel the Way of the Cross and to contemplate the passion and death of Jesus. Good Friday worship is intended to offer a time for prayerful reflection on Jesus’ passion in order to deepen the joy and wonder of Easter.

Our worship will incorporate simple hymn singing, readings, prayers and artwork, as we walk with Jesus on his “via dolorosa,” the traditional way of sorrow which leads to the cross.

Good Friday at 2:00 pm Tenebrae Service of Shadows

The Manheim Ministerial Association will host an afternoon Good Friday service of worship on Friday, April 7th, at Pleasant View Communities, Hoffer Auditorium at 2:00pm. This worship includes area pastors and will focus on Jesus' last words from the cross.



April 9 at 9:15 am, Easter Sunday

Christ is risen, and we gather together to offer our worship and praise for God's surprising and life-giving power! Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and like the women at the tomb we are amazed. Let us rejoice: ***Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

Coffee and refreshments will be available before and after our worship for a time of Easter fellowship on Sunday, April 9.

Easter Egg Hunt with the Preschool

This year's Easter outreach to the students and families of the Zion Preschool will be an Easter Egg hunt and craft time on Saturday, April 1.

The events for the day begin at 10 am, at the playground, weather permitting. We will shift into the Rose Parlor if the weather is inclement.



We welcome volunteers to help with the crafts and to help scatter the eggs. The kids will be divided by age group for the hunt, so there will be staggered start times. Grandchildren of the congregation are welcome to participate.

Rose Festival Set

SAVE THE DATE of June 11, 2023, as Zion celebrates the 131st anniversary of the Festival of the Red Rose.

The morning worship service and payment of the rent will begin at 10:30am with a reception held in the Rose Parlor prior to the morning worship service. The Rev. Penrose Hoover, retired bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod will be with us as the guest preacher.



Representing the Henry William Stiegel family this year for the rose payment is Mr. Robert A. Henkel, who resides in Fort Defiance, VA. Mr. Henkel is an 8th generation descendant of Henry William and Elizabeth Holz Stiegel.

We hope to see you there! There will be additional information about the rose service in the May Rosette.

Fellowship Dinner Planned

A fellowship meal is being planned for the congregation on April 30th at 5:00pm. We are asking the congregation to participate in the cooking of the Ziti Casserole. This will be done exactly like the summer lunch program, with the exception of it coming to the church that evening HOT ready to be eaten. It will be a sit-down dinner. We will put out the entire fixings for the casserole once we know how many people will be attending. Once the ingredients are on the table, we ask that people pick one up and cook it as directed. The only ingredient for



you to donate would be the ground beef called for in the recipe. The rolls, butter, salad and water will be donated to the meal. We will also need desserts from anyone that would like to sign up to make those. There will be sign-up sheets for both attendance and dessert making. We're hoping that we can continue socializing as a family in

Fellowship Meal

Christ and that many of you will come, participate and enjoy a good meal together. We also have a fun, very creative activity planned for anyone that wants to join in or even wants to watch it go together. What a fun night of fellowship all the way around.

God bless and hope to see everyone that's available to join in.
As the saying goes...The more, the merrier!

Camping Trips Scheduled

This year, we are going on two camping trips:

Our annual Gettysburg trip at Gettysburg Campground will be April 21-23. We will have our annual movie night outside on a large screen sitting around the campfire. Saturday, you may tour the Gettysburg Battlefield on a double-decker bus or have a day on your own.



Our second trip will be May 12-14 to Harper's Ferry, WV. There are many things to do over the weekend. Tour the historic town, bike on the rail-trail, or hike to the overlook affording a view of the river and town.

Come, join us for either/both weekends or for the day. Always a great time with good food and fellowship. Any questions about the trips, contact Sharon Lynes at 717-413-0895.



Prayer Chain

The Expanded Prayer List is published at the beginning of each month. Printed copies are available at the church. **Please contact Linda Keiffer @ 742-2149** to add a name to the list and to initiate the prayer chain. She will, in turn, notify the church office of the name and the reason for prayer.

Current Prayer Warriors to Zion's Prayer Chain include: Rubye Barto, Holly Brosey, Linda Keiffer, Yvonne Kreider, Verna Landry, and Donna Rhodes.

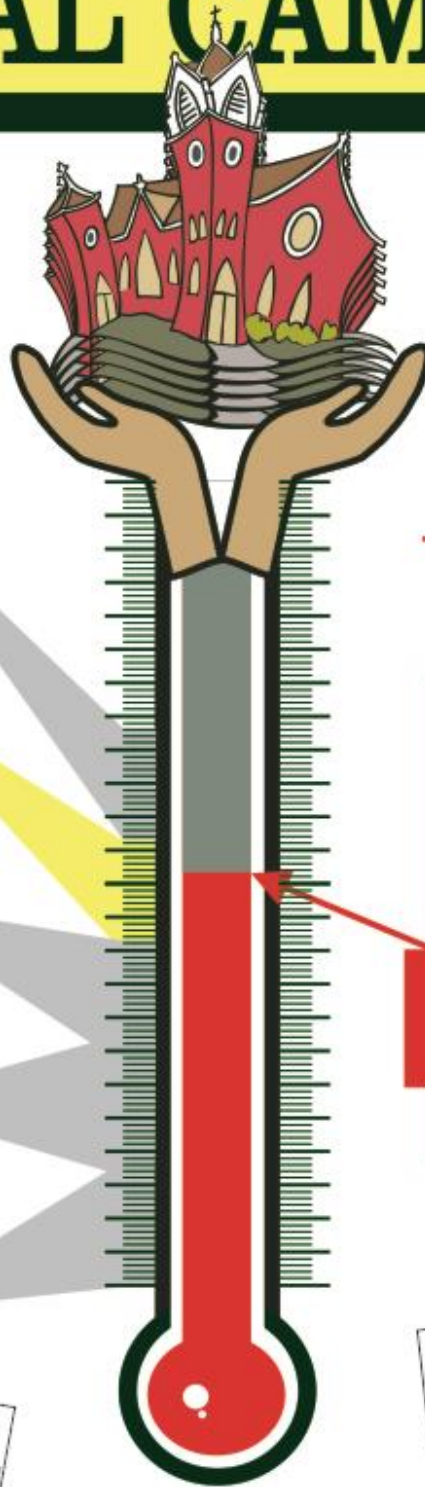
Take note: Please have permission from the person whose name you are placing on the list for prayer. The name of the contact person and phone number are also important for updates and further information about the person being prayed for.

A Prayer for the Birth of a Child (We celebrate the birth of Hudson Eugene Sprenkle, son of Colleen and Brian Sprenkle)

O Lord our God, creator of all that exists, we thank you for the joy of watching new life begin and for the privilege of sharing with you in your continuing creation. In your mercy grant that these blessings may continue to us and even to our children's children, that generations yet unborn may bless your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Investing in the Future

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



PROJECTED ANNUAL PLEDGING



ZION
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CURRENT GIVING

\$123,778

thru 3-21-2023



We are now working on our 4th year's commitment!
You may make contributions to the Capital Campaign
by using your regular offering envelope
and designating in writing "Capital Campaign" on the line marked "other".

Food Pantry Needs

During the month of April, the Manheim Central Food Pantry is looking for cereal, crackers, boxed rice (no bags), egg noodles, applesauce, Spam, paper towels, toilet paper, canned pineapple, shampoo, diapers, and plastic grocery bags.



Please make sure any food items you may be donating are not out of date. Please put your donations in the grocery cart outside the church office or drop them in the collection box on the front porch of the food pantry located at 334 W. Gramby St., Manheim.

Monetary donations may also be sent to the MC Food Pantry, c/o Salem United Methodist Church, 140 N. Penn St., Manheim, PA 17545.

Daughters of Zion

The Daughters of Zion class meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 1:30 in the Rose Parlor. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 17th, at 1:30pm. For the April meeting, we will be watching the video of Zion's 250th anniversary. All are welcome to join us for a fun time.

Lori Shenk, Manheim's rep from Northwest EMS, dropped by to pick up the donations given towards the Child Life program that were collected. Since this program has an on-going need for items, it was decided that we would once again collect things for them in June. Watch for more information closer to the time.



We are partnering with Zion's preschool for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1st. If you could help to stuff the eggs with candy on Thursday, March 30th, it would be greatly appreciated. We plan to start around 10:00am. Come, join us!! They're also looking for volunteers to help with the crafts on the day of the hunt. Sounds like fun!!

Looking ahead, we are anticipating having a speaker in May. More information will be posted after the next meeting in April.

The class assists in church and community activities where there is a need. They also collect food items for the Manheim Central Food Pantry. The pantry is looking for cereal, crackers, boxed rice (no bags), egg noodles, applesauce, Spam, paper towels, toilet paper, canned pineapple, shampoo, diapers, and plastic grocery bags. Please make sure any food items you may be donating are not out of date. Hunger never stops, so remember all items are greatly appreciated.

See you in April!!

Preschool News



Spring is in the air!!

This month we had our school picture days and are going green for Saint Patrick's Day. Even though we have no scheduled days off, March is marching by quickly and we are keeping very busy as we work on new skills and continue to build life-long friendships.



We have several birthdays in Pre-K this month and I love how excited and proud these young kiddos are to be turning 5. It is a big milestone for them and it is such a privilege to be part of celebrating with them.

Enrollment for the 2023/2024 school year began last month and we have just a few spots left in our Pre-K classes and one of our Toddler classes. All our Preschool classes and our Tuesday/Thursday Toddler class are currently full. We look forward to meeting all our new families and seeing many friends returning.

Easter themes and excitement is building as we head toward April. We look forward to the Easter Egg Hunt on April 1st and hope to see many preschool families in attendance. We also have a field trip for our Pre-K students scheduled at Baron Elementary where they will learn all about making the move to Kindergarten.



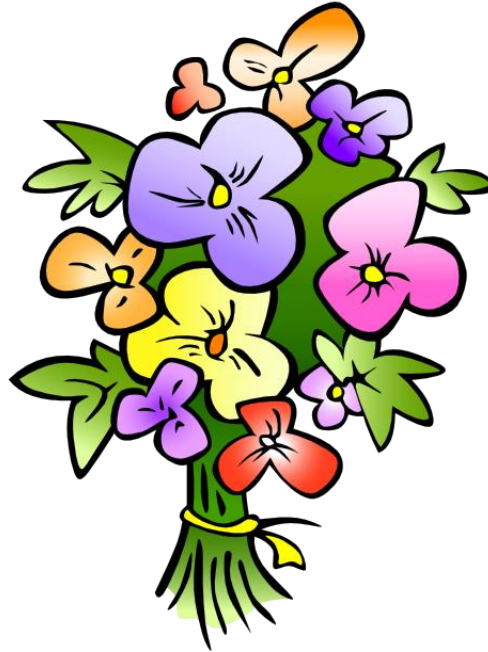
Thank you for your continued support of Zion Lutheran Preschool!

Katie Mummau

April Birthdays

4/1 Bill Martin
Francesca McClure
4/5 Karen Kline
4/11 Heather Wilkie
4/12 Jared Fry
4/14 Don Shelly
4/16 Barbara Grunenberger
4/18 Sharon Lynes
4/19 Jayne Burns
4/21 Linda Bretz
Pr. Kate Warn
4/27 Nic Spohn
4/30 Rubye Barto
Don Breneman
Don Gabel
Connie Hershey

Happy Birthday



April Anniversaries

4/10 Bill & Linda Martin
4/13 Mike & Beth Schroll
4/18 Ed & Barb Evock
Don & Patsy Gabel
4/20 Donn & Deb Gehman
4/28 Brandon & Ronda Moore
Marc & Carol Phillips (50 years)

I would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, and phone calls after my recent procedure. They were all very much appreciated. I don't know how soon I will be able to return to church. I am so thankful for all my family and friends. God bless each and every one of you.

Erma May

To the Daughters of Zion,

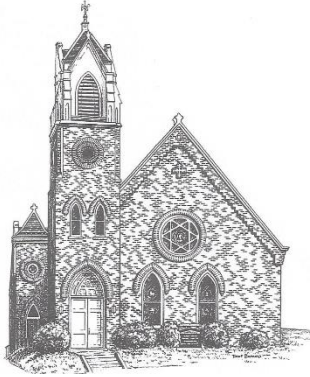
Thank you so much for your beautiful card of cheer and your kind wishes & thoughts for me during my recent physical challenges. I really appreciate it. You brightened my days and helped me to tolerate the pain. I continue to get medical help and, little by little, there is improvement. I am hopeful and know God is with me and you all are cheering for me. Thanks again. Hope to see you soon!

With best regards,
Missy Hoffman

Dear Zion members,

Thank you to all who sent me best wishes on my 80th birthday. The response was overwhelming!

Doug Shaw



Parish Registry

Death: Judy Long – died on March 4, 2023

Memorial Service to be held April 1 at 2 pm at Buch's.

Address Change: Phyllis Hinerdeer, 544 N. Penryn Rd., Rm. 339,
Manheim, PA 17545

Phone Change: Lorraine Shaw – 717-664-6300

New Phone # - Kay Hoffer – 717-823-1540

Financial Notes:

with joy and thanksgiving for your faithful stewardship.

OFFERINGS	Mo. Total	Budget
February General Fund offering	18,143	18,532
February Capital Campaign offering	3,906	-----
March General Fund offering (as of 3/21/23)	11,520	18,532
March Capital Campaign offering (as of 3/21/23)	1,688	---

April Readings

4/1	Psalm 31:9-16 Lamentations 3:55-66 Mark 10:32-34	4/8	Vigil of Easter Romans 6:3-11 John 20:1-18
4/2	Sunday of the Passion Matthew 21:1-11 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 26:14-27:66	4/9	Easter Day Acts 10:34-43 Jeremiah 31:1-6 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Acts 10:34-43 Matthew 28:1-10
4/3	Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 36:5-11 Hebrews 9:11-15 John 12:1-11	4/10	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 Colossians 3:5-11
4/4	Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 71:1-14 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 John 12:20-36	4/11	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 15:1-18 Colossians 3:12-17
4/5	Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 70 Hebrews 12:1-3 John 13:21-32	4/12	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Joshua 3:1-7 Matthew 28:1-10
4/6	Maundy Thursday Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35	4/13	Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 2:8-15 Colossians 4:2-5
4/7	Good Friday Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22 Hebrews 10:16-25 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1-19:42	4/14	Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 5:9-5:3 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
		4/15	Psalm 16 Song of Solomon 8:6-7 John 20:11-20

April Readings, cont'd

4/16	2 nd Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31	4/24	Psalm 134 Genesis 18:1-14 1 Peter 1:23-25
4/17	Psalm 114 Judges 6:36-40 1 Corinthians 15:12-20	4/25	Psalm 134 Proverbs 8:32-9:6 1 Peter 2:1-3
4/18	Psalm 114 Jonah 1:1-17 1 Corinthians 15:19-28	4/26	Psalm 134 Exodus 24:1-11 John 21:1-14
4/19	Psalm 114 Jonah 2:1-10 Matthew 12:38-42	4/27	Psalm 23 Exodus 2:15b-25 1 Peter 2:9-12
4/20	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-29 Isaiah 25:1-5 1 Peter 1:8b-12	4/28	Psalm 23 Exodus 3:16-22; 4:18-20 1 Peter 2:13-17
4/21	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 Isaiah 26:1-4 1 Peter 1:13-16	4/29	Psalm 23 Ezekiel 34:1-16 Luke 15:1-7
4/22	Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 Isaiah 25:6-9 Luke 14:12-14	4/30	4 th Sunday of Easter Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10
4/23	3 rd Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35		



Altar Flowers



- 4/2 Martha Rudisill to the Glory of God
- 4/9 Verdella Frey in honor of granddaughter, Kristyn Dalbey's birthday
- 4/16 *This space available. Please call the office at 665-5880.*
- 4/23 Marc & Carol Phillips in honor of Jacquie's birthday
- 4/30 *This space available. Please call the office at 665-5880.*

Note: Flowers are \$40 per week, and *must be paid to the church by the beginning of the month for the flowers you are sponsoring. Thank you.*

Bulletin Sponsors

Month of April – *This space available.*
Please call office at 665-5880.

Bulletins are - \$9.00 per week



Worship Help Schedule

Date	Greeters/Ushers	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants
4/2	Stacy Fry & Kelly Barthold	Fay Varner	-----
4/6	(7:00) George May	(7:00) Sue Shaw	-----
4/9	Dave & Sharon Lynes	Ronda Moore	-----
4/16	Bob & Mary Ann Greiner	Paul Caplinger	-----
4/23	Dave & Betty Wise	Norm Drescher	-----
4/30	Sandy Quesenberry	Donna Moore	-----
5/7	Donna Moore	Kyle Spohn	-----
5/14	Donn & Deb Gehman	Denny Valins	-----
5/21	Stanley Rohrer	Brian Miller	-----
5/28	Dennis Obetz	Mary Welliver	-----

Zion's Prayers

Please remember Zion's members as you pray:

Helen Blank	David Derstler	Kate Eichelberger
Barbara Grunenberger	Kay Hoffer	Missy Hoffman
Erma May	Jacque McKinney	Betty Minnich
Nadine Mozingo	Joe Murray	Sue Murray
Donna Ober	Donna Rhodes	Nic & Stefan Spohn
Mary Welliver		

Please remember our Friends of Zion in your prayers:

Denny Ammerman	Daryl Barry	Edna Barto
Mary Bisking	Kathy Brosey	Hana Haatainen Caye
Joe Coddington	Kyle Dieter	Tina Dieter
Bill Duncan	Brock Elgin	Terri Elgire
Kathy Essig	Lewis Ettinger	Jerry Fickling
Judy Fiene	Betty Miller	Betty Miller
Ken Miller	Ed Moyer	Zach Oberholtzer
Sandy Pennell	Brandy Rhodes	Jimmy Rodriguez
Frank Smith	Paula Stevens	Tim & Alix
Rachel Toole	Thad Toole	Joyce Warn

Please remember those in Military Service as you pray:

Dylan Bowers, Ryan Plowman, Blake Reber, Ret. Sr. Chief Ed Sexton, and Nicholas Thomas

*Please take some time to remember
all these people in our prayers.
They each have individual needs that
your prayers can help them with.*

