



# The Rosette

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A number of weeks ago as I was working on a sermon about stones and cornerstones based on 1 Peter chapter 2, I took a walk to the corner of High and Hazel Streets in order to look at Zion's cornerstone. I seemed to recall seeing such a stone near the original entrance to the church building. I was surprised to discover 3 different stones, dated 1770, 1857, and 1891. These are not really cornerstones as far as I can tell, but markers signifying the history of Zion's physical structures over the years. A 4<sup>th</sup> stone reading 1959 marks the education wing. These stone markers tell a story of a community with long-standing and well-established foundations in Manheim. I would be curious, however, to know if there is an actual cornerstone setting the foundation for our building.

1 Peter 2:4ff invites us to think about Jesus as "a cornerstone chosen and precious." Peter is wonderfully descriptive, saying: "come to Him, a living stone... and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house...."

I have been thinking a lot about this invitation "to let ourselves be built into a spiritual house of living stones." It's important to note that God is the builder, not you and me! It's also important to remember that as long as we are anchored in Christ our cornerstone, we have the foundation we need for God's continuing building project. Our job is to trust the builder, and "let ourselves be built" in the ways God intends. Discerning God's intentions and calling for this community is the challenge of the day!

In light of this challenge, I invite you to intentional and dedicated prayer about God's work of building, equipping, and inspiring us as a community of faith. We already know how God was at work in the 1770's and in the 1890's, but how is God calling us to be the church now? How is God calling us to pass on the faith to new generations (especially with our preschool!)? How can we continue to reach out to, and build relationships with preschool families? What kind of spiritual house does God seek to build of us as the 21<sup>st</sup> century unfolds?

Please join me in praying for God's Spirit to continue to work among us, to inspire us, to lead us, and to build us up as the community of God's people for this time and place. With Christ as our cornerstone, let us be bold to pray "come Holy Spirit, come, and build us anew for Jesus' sake!"

Pastor Kate

# Worshipping in the Light of the Cross

With joy and thanksgiving, we have placed a new cross on the north wall of our worship space (the “nave”), visible upon entering the Rose Parlor and Sunday school room. We give thanks for many hands working together to create this cross. Members of Zion placed the small pieces of stained glass into place at our fellowship dinner on April 30. Very special thanks to Stacy Fry for the glass work and Mike Schroll for the wood work, and for their partnership in designing the cross.

## Tuesday Small Group

Beginning Tuesday, July 11 at 1:30pm, we will be reading and discussing The Book of Joy. The book is the fruit of interfaith conversation and collaboration between Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa and the Dalai Lama. Reflecting on their own lives, they explore the question “how do we find joy in the face of life’s inevitable suffering?”

For July 11<sup>th</sup>, we will focus our conversation in response to The Nature of True Joy, pages 39-58. The introductory pages, 1-38 provide background and context for the meeting between the two Nobel Peace prize laureates but will not be central to our conversation about The Book of Joy.

## Outdoor Worship

Outdoor Worship will take place the third Sunday of the months this summer, on July 16 and August 20 at 9:15am. Bring a chair!!



## Summer Lunch Program 2023

Lunch will be served each Wednesday starting July 12<sup>th</sup> through the end of August. We are once again offering take-out lunches, which can be picked up beginning at noon each Wednesday. Members of Zion can arrange for delivery by calling the office.

We need dessert items (cookies and bars) delivered to the church each week by Tuesday mornings, during office hours. We plan to prepare 150 lunches/week, so we need lots of cookies and bars!

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the lunches every Wednesday, beginning at 8:30am. Talk to Donna Moore or Denny Valins to let them know you are willing to help, or to raise any questions.

## Barnstormers Trip Planned



Join us on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> for an afternoon of fun with the Lancaster Barnstormers. They will be playing the Staten Island FerryHawks. Game time is 1:00pm.



Seating is under the roof, out of the sun. Tickets may be purchased from Martha Rudisill or Mary Welliver at a cost of \$9.50/ticket. Handicap parking available. Deadline for sign-up is July 16<sup>th</sup>. There is a sheet posted outside the church office for you to sign up if you're interested in going.



**“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday**



September 10  
2023

**“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is September 10, 2023.**

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God’s grace.

Here at Zion, we are currently brainstorming ideas for participating in a “God’s Work, Our Hands” event in September this year. Talk to Pastor Kate if you have suggestions for hands on projects for Zion’s service to the community.



## Summer “Vacation” or “Staycation”



Do you remember returning to school in the Fall and having to write an essay on “How I Spent my Summer”? Well, here’s your chance to participate in our updated version of this time-worn tradition; no writing involved. We have a display on the bulletin board in the hallway that’s just waiting for pictures of you and your family’s excursions over the summer months. Just bring in some pictures of yourselves enjoying the places you have visited and attach them to the board. All photos will be returned at the end of the summer. It’ll be fun to see all the places we have gone and the enjoyment we had during our time away. If you didn’t get to go away, but you did something special closer to home, you can highlight these gatherings as well. We all have get-togethers of one kind or another. Let’s share the love, even if it’s only through pictures. Remember, “a picture is worth a thousand words.”

## The Rent was Paid

On Sunday, June 11, Zion Church gathered to honor and pay tribute to the legacy of Henry William Stiegel and his gift of a plot of ground to the Lutheran congregation, as stipulated in the deed dated December 4, 1772.

The church also welcomed Rev. Penrose Hoover, retired Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod, to serve as guest speaker and provide the morning message. Rev. Hoover’s heartfelt and inspiring sermon was true to life, especially, the words “It’s going to be alright.”

During the morning worship service, Linda Keiffer, chairperson of the Rose Festival Committee, and Attorney J.D. Young, Zion’s legal representative, presented the red rose for this year to Mr. Robert A. Henkel, an 8<sup>th</sup> generation descendant of Henry William and Elizabeth Holz Stiegel. In addition, two other Stiegel heirs received “token” roses.

Karen Kline presented a gift to Pastor Kate in celebration of her five years as Zion’s pastor and her devotion to our congregation. Karen stated that pastors are often referred to as shepherds of the flock; however, she is a gardener and has nurtured our “garden” with love these past five years.

Prior to the morning worship service, refreshments provided by the Manheim Historical Society were enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who attended this year’s rose service.

The rent will next be paid on Sunday, June 9, 2024. If you would like to assist in planning for that day, please contact Linda Keiffer.

## Summer Camp Experience

Kids...there's still time...don't forget about summer camp! We have registration brochures on the bulletin board outside the church office. There are many different camping options for you to explore. These camps are a chance for you to meet other kids, learn more about your faith in an outdoor environment, and generally, have a lot of fun!! You'll have a life experience that you will remember for years to come.



## Thank you!



At the Rose Festival worship service on June 11, I was presented with a gift and blessed with very kind words recognizing the 5th anniversary of my time at Zion as pastor. That was a gracious surprise! The gift I received is a beautiful stained glass cross with a rose at the center. Thank you!

Pastor Kate

## Church Office Summer Hours

Summer hours for the church office are in effect. Donna is available Monday – Thursday from 8:00am – 1:00pm. Please note: the office is closed on Fridays throughout the summer. Regular hours will resume again after Labor Day, beginning September 5<sup>th</sup>.

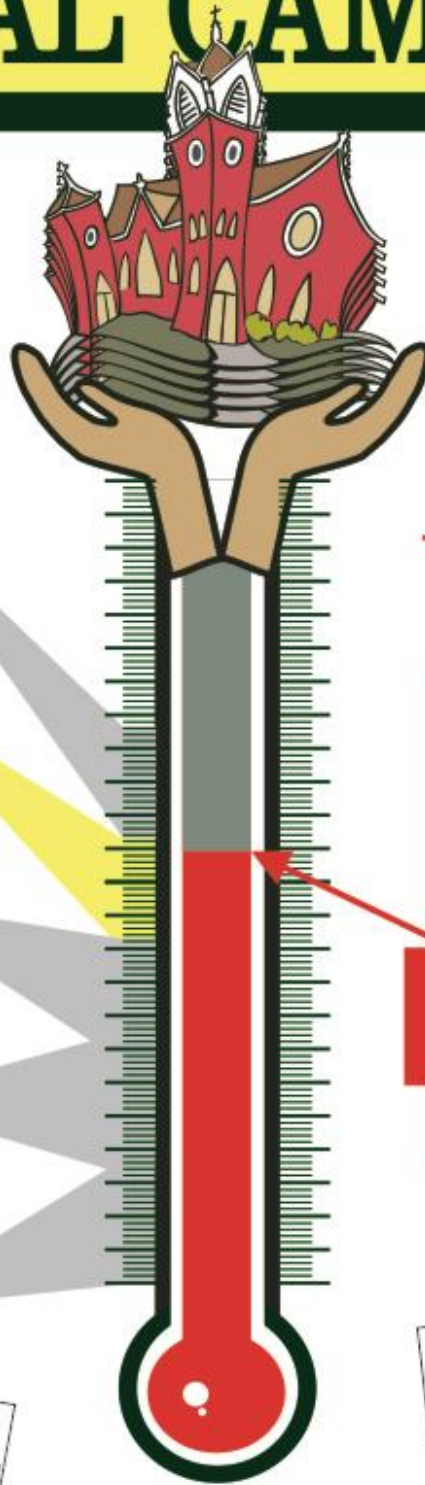


## Red Rose Award

On May 11, the Manheim Historical Society presented a Red Rose Award to Zion for our stewardship of Manheim history and in particular for the work we have done to preserve our historic property. We received a beautiful glass red rose plaque which is now on display in the Rose Parlor. Thanks to Marc Phillips for his work submitting Zion's name and records for this award.

# Investing in the Future

# CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

**CURRENT  
GIVING**

**\$129,643**

thru 6-19-2023



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".

# Daughters of Zion

The Daughters of Zion class meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 1:30 in the Rose Parlor. Our next meeting will be Monday, July 19th.

During the summer months through August, we are again collecting items for the Northwest EMS Child Life Program. *(See the related article below).*

We will also be participating in the collection of items for the Health Kits in September *(more about this next month)*. For our July meeting, we are planning an American Hymn Festival.

We welcome new members to come and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and fun, and we have refreshments, too!!

*See you in July!!*

## Childlife Collection Continues

Earlier this year we took up a collection of small toys, books, games, etc. to help with the hospitals' Childlife program. It was very successful, so we decided to do another collection during the summer months. We are asking for the same types of items we gathered previously. These items are given to children in hospital settings who are facing frightening situations or challenging procedures. The toys and games serve to allay their fears as their minds are focused on other things. There are lists of wished-for items beside the collection box at the rear of the main Sunday School room. You may drop any items in the box when you come to church. We will continue collecting throughout the summer months, when Lori Shenk from Manheim's EMS will pick up all the objects.

## Food Pantry Needs



During the month of July, the Manheim Central Food Pantry is looking for cereal, crackers, dry pasta, egg noodles, baked beans, Spam, canned pineapples, boxes of rice, rice and/or pasta sides, applesauce, 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.



Thank you to the congregation for their cards and continuing prayers during my recent health issues. Thank you, also, to Pastor Kate for her visit. God Bless!

*Ed Moyer*

## **July Birthdays**

7/3 Kevin Witman  
7/4 John Blanck  
Bill Maney, III  
7/5 Karen Kauffman  
7/8 Emily Clingenpeel  
7/10 Stefan Spohn  
7/11 Verdella Frey  
7/12 Helen Warnke  
7/14 Denise Valins  
7/16 Richard Adair  
Shirley Hossler  
7/21 Kyle Spohn  
7/22 Ronda Moore  
Dan Rambler  
Beth Schroll



7/23 Connie Sheaffer  
7/24 Betty Miller  
7/25 Beth Mensch  
7/27 Corbin Moore  
7/28 Kathy Connelly

## **July Anniversaries**



7/5 George & Cathy May  
7/9 Dan & Jean Rambler  
7/12 Mike & Kathy Connelly  
7/19 Dan & Linda Barthold  
7/24 Dale & Marci Clingenpeel (30 years)  
7/26 Paul & Mary Caplinger  
Tom & Cathy Knittle



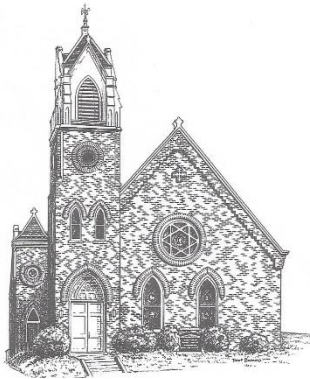


## Prayer Chain

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.***



## Parish Registry

*Returning member:* Carol Mackley, 136 Hoffer Way,  
Manheim, PA 17545 Phone: 717-327-0513

## Financial Notes:

**with joy and thanksgiving for your faithful stewardship.**

<b><i>OFFERINGS</i></b>	Mo. Total	Budget
May General Fund offering	17,735	18,532
May Capital Campaign offering	1,711	-----
June General Fund offering (as of 6/20)	13,063	18,532
June Capital Campaign offering (as of 6/20)	1,727	---

# July Readings

7/1 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18  
Jeremiah 28:1-4  
Luke 17:1-4

## **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

7/2 Jeremiah 28:5-9  
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

7/3 Psalm 119:161-168  
1 Kings 21:1-16  
1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

7/4 Psalm 119:161-168  
1 Kings 21:17-29  
1 John 4:1-6

7/5 Psalm 119:161-168  
Jeremiah 18:1-111  
Matthew 11:20-24

7/6 Psalm 145:8-14  
Zechariah 1:1-6  
Romans 7:1-6

7/7 Psalm 145:8-14  
Zechariah 2:6-13  
Romans 7:7-20

7/8 Psalm 145:8-14  
Zechariah 4:1-7  
Luke 10:21-24

## **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

7/9 Zechariah 9:9-12  
Psalm 145:8-14  
Romans 7:15-25a  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

7/10 Psalm 131  
Jeremiah 27:1-11, 16-22  
Romans 1:18-25

7/11 Psalm 131  
Jeremiah 28:10-17  
Romans 3:1-8

7/12 Psalm 131  
Jeremiah 13:1-11  
John 13:1-17

7/13 Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
Isaiah 48:1-5  
Romans 2:12-16

7/14 Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
Isaiah 48:6-11  
Romans 15:14-21

7/15 Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
Isaiah 52:1-6  
John 12:44-50

## **7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

7/16 Isaiah 55:10-13  
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13  
Romans 8:1-11  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

7/17 Psalm 92  
Leviticus 26:3-20  
1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

7/18 Psalm 92  
Deuteronomy 28:1-14  
Ephesians 4:17-5:2

## July Readings, cont'd

7/19 Psalm 92  
Proverbs 11:23-30  
Matthew 13:10-17

7/20 Psalm 86:11-17  
Isaiah 41:21-29  
Hebrews 2:1-9

7/21 Psalm 86:11-17  
Isaiah 44:9-17  
Hebrews 6:13-20

7/22 Psalm 86:11-17  
Isaiah 44:18-20  
Matthew 7:15-20

### ***8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost***

7/23 Isaiah 44:6-8  
Psalm 86:11-17  
Romans 8:12-25  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

7/24 Psalm 75  
Nahum 1:1-13  
Revelation 14:12-20

7/25 Psalm 75  
Zephaniah 3:1-13  
Galatians 4:21-5:1

7/26 Psalm 75  
Daniel 12:1-13  
Matthew 12:15-21

7/27 Psalm 119:129-136  
1 Kings 1:28-37  
1 Corinthians 4:14-20

7/28 Psalm 119:129-136  
1 Kings 1:38-48  
Acts 7:44-53

7/29 Psalm 119:129-136  
1 Kings 2:1-4  
Matthew 12:38-42

### ***9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost***

7/30 1 Kings 3:5-12  
Psalm 119:129-136  
Romans 8:26-39  
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

7/31 Psalm 119:121-128  
1 Kings 3:16-28  
James 3:13-18



# Altar Flowers



- July 2 Deb & Donn Gehman in memory of Jane Gehman
- July 9 Dan & Jean Rambler in honor of their anniversary
- July 16 *This space available. Please call office at 665-5880.*
- July 23 Jean Rambler in honor of Dan Rambler's birthday
- July 30 *This space available. Please call 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 July – Donna Rhodes in memory of her husband, Rich Rhodes

Bulletins are - \$9.00 per week



# Worship Help Schedule

We need helpers for this position. Please sign on the volunteer sheet outside the church office.

Date	Greeters/Ushers	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants
7/2	Terry & Cheryl Fry	Brian Miller	Denny Valins
7/9	Dan & Jean Rambler	Sue Shaw	Len Burns
7/16	Martha Rudisill	Norm Drescher	-----
7/23	Jody Hess	Donna Moore	-----
7/30	Stacy Fry	Ronda Moore	Denny Valins
8/6	Dave & Sharon Lynes	Paul Caplinger	-----
8/13	Bob & Mary Ann Greiner	Denny Valins	Len Burns
8/20	Kelly Barthold	Kyle Spohn	-----
8/27	Dave & Betty Wise	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
Bill Martin	Erma May	Jacque McKinney
Betty Minnich	Nadine Mozingo	Joe Murray
Sue Murray	Betty Myers	Donna Ober
Donna Rhodes	Nic & Stefan Spohn	Mary Welliver

**Please remember our Friends of Zion in your prayers:**

Denny Ammerman	Daryl Barry	Edna Barto
Neil Bartsch	Tom Bell	Kathy Brosey
Winnie Cammauf	Carly	Hana Haatainen-Caye
Joe Coddington	Tina Dieter	Bill Duncan
Lee Elgire	Terri Elgire	Kathy Essig
Lewis Ettinger	Jerry Fickling	Judy Fiene
Kris Hoot	Yasir Makki family	Betty Miller
Betty Miller	Ken Miller	Ed Moyer
Zach Oberholtzer	Sandy Pennell	Brandy Rhodes
Jimmy Rodriguez	Frank Smith	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.*

