



The Rosette

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Every week in our Sunday worship we address God with the words, “Our Father who art in heaven.” These words, or “Heavenly Father,” are among the most familiar titles we use to address God. But scripture offers a wonderful, additional variety of names, titles, images and descriptors for our prayers and lives of faith. God is Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer; the Holy One of Israel; our Rock and our Redeemer; A Mighty Fortress; Yahweh. In addition, Jesus has many names and titles: the Word made flesh, light of the world, Messiah, Lord, the Good Shepherd.

One of my colleagues likes to address God as “the best traveling companion ever.” God *is* our traveling companion - a gracious, unseen presence and source of strength along the way. Consider where God traveled according to scripture: with Abraham and Sarah as they left their homeland to venture to an unknown place; with Moses and the people as they journeyed out of Egypt into the promised land; with the Israelites forced into exile in Babylon and back again; with Mary, Joseph and Jesus when they fled Egypt; and with Jesus as he journeyed to the cross, descended into hell, and on the third day rose again. God traveled with Paul and first Christian missionaries as they spread the good news to Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth. God “does not leave us orphaned” (John 14:18) but promises to be with us always, wherever we travel, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:20)

The challenge for us as people of God is to remember and recognize God’s presence with us along the way. It’s not so much that we need to invite God to go with us, because it is certain that God does indeed go with us and is even present before we arrive. Our task as people of faith is to be open to the mysterious and wonderful gift of God’s Spirit abiding and traveling with us.

As we come and go in these days, may we remember our traveling companion! May we be attuned to the gift of God’s Holy Spirit with us as a source of strength, love and peace. With God as our traveling companion, who knows what we’ll see or hear along the way! With God as our traveling companion, our journeys are certain to be sacred and touched with grace.

Blessed trails to you!

Pastor Kate

The Rent is Due

Please join us on Sunday, 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 take place at 10:30am, with the Reverend Penrose Hoover, retired Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod, serving as our guest preacher. Prior to the morning worship service, refreshments, sponsored by the Manheim Historical Society, will be served in the Rose Parlor.



Since 1892 the congregation of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church has made an annual payment of “One Red Rose” to an heir of Henry William Stiegel as stipulated in the deed of 1772 in which Stiegel conveyed to the Lutheran congregation of Manheim a plot of ground on which to build a church...” for five shillings and in month of June, yearly forever hereafter the rent of One Red Rose if the same shall be lawfully demanded.” The site was listed as Lot Number 220 on Stiegel’s original map and noted in Stiegel’s hand, “Church Lott, no price.”

Representing the Henry William Stiegel family and accepting this year’s rose payment is Mr. Robert A. Henkel from Fort Defiance, Virginia. Mr. Henkel is an 8th generation descendant of Henry William and Elizabeth Holz Stiegel.

Attorney J. D. Young will serve as Zion’s legal representative.

The church will be decorated with rose bushes and Boston ferns (purchased from Brunnerville Greenhouse). A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board for sponsorships of the ferns. This year we will also have sponsors for the rose bushes. As a sponsor, you will take the rose bush home with you.

The committee would also like to extend an invitation to the congregation to join the Stiegel heirs and their families for a catered luncheon at the Manheim Railroad Station, beginning at approximately 12:30pm. A sign-up sheet for the luncheon will be posted on the bulletin board. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, May 28th. A donation basket will be available for contributions toward offsetting the cost of the luncheon.

We hope to see you on Sunday, June 11th, to celebrate this historic ceremony.

Konde Diocese:

Our Lutheran partners in Tanzania

For many years the Lower Susquehanna Synod has been in a partner relationship with the Konde Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania. This partnership has entailed visitation, the exchange of personnel and prayer support. In addition, the LSS provides substantial financial support to congregations and institutions of the Konde Diocese.

On Sunday May 21st at 4 pm, the Synod will hold a Tanzanian Worship service and time of fellowship at St. Paul, Enola, in celebration of our partnership.

A couple of years ago I was appointed by Bishop Dunlop to serve on the Lower Susquehanna Konde Diocese Committee, and I have chaired the committee since June last year. In my capacity as the committee chair, I will be traveling to the Konde Diocese with Bishop Dunlop, his wife Connie, and Rev. Cliff Eshbach on June 19th. The Konde Diocese installed a new bishop last fall, and we are going to meet with him and renew our relationship with our sister and brother Lutherans in Konde. The first week of my time in Tanzania, therefore, will be a working trip. I will be staying in Tanzania for a few extra vacation days after Bishop Dunlop departs, as I have friends I hope to visit in other parts of the country. The Lutheran Church in Tanzania is among the largest and fastest growing Lutheran bodies in the world and I look forward to learning more!

Pastor Kate

Synod Assembly

Gathering under the theme, “Created for Community”, the 36th annual Synod Assembly of the Lower Susquehanna Synod will celebrate the presence of God in and through our congregations, our conferences, and our synod.

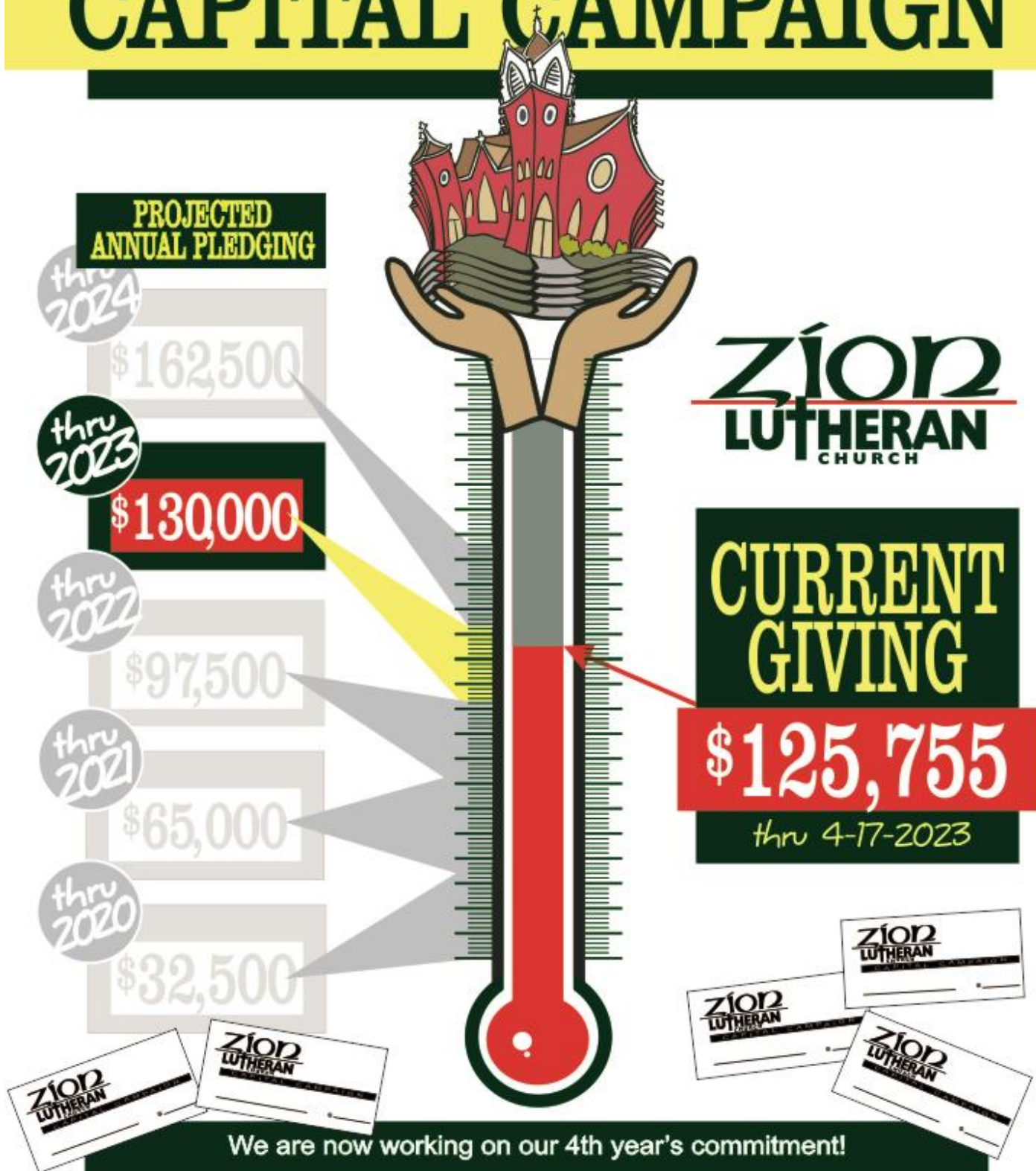
The “Edification Day” continuing education portion of Synod Assembly will take place on Saturday, May 20, 2023 on zoom. Based on this year’s assembly theme, Edification Day offers forums based on our six missional priorities and a keynote presentation by Rev. Dr. Jennifer Hope-Tringali.

The business of the assembly will begin the evening of June 2 (zoom) and conclude at the end of the day on June 3. The sessions on June 3 will be in person at Trinity, Camp Hill. The business agenda includes worship, adoption of the 2024 budget, and essential elections. The presiding bishop of the ELCA, the Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, will be present on June 3.

Pastor Kate and Mary Welliver will be representing Zion at the Synod Assembly this year.

Investing in the Future

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



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 May, the Manheim Central Food Pantry is looking for cereal, crackers, boxed rice (no bags), egg noodles, applesauce, Spam, paper towels, toilet paper, shampoo, diapers, and plastic 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.



Wittel Farm Growing Project

2023 is The Wittel Farm Growing Project's 8th year of ministry planting, growing, and sharing fresh vegetables in Lancaster County. This season, a new outdoor classroom pavilion, equipped with a kitchen and bathroom, will be a wonderful gathering place for groups, congregations, and volunteers. They are offering cooking demos with local chefs. Also, monthly dinner church worship returns to the event schedule this season.

The growing season begins in May with public planting days every Saturday from 9:00-noon. Come out and help plant over 6,000 vegetable plants. To volunteer or sign up for one of their farm to table experiences, go the WittelFarm.org. The sign-up page includes all the volunteer dates for the season.

Summer Camp Experience

Kids...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.



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, May 15th, at 1:30pm. We will have a guest speaker, Chris Hainley, from Fairy Tail Acres, to tell us about her rescue efforts with pigs and dogs. We are looking forward to hearing about her work.



We held a discussion about the ongoing needs of the Food Pantry and we decided to make a monetary contribution. A reminder that your donation of staples is always appreciated and contributions can be placed in the shopping cart any Sunday, and also at our meetings. One of our members stated that there is a need for canned pineapple. Members were invited to bring a can of pineapple to our next meeting. The pantry is also looking for cereal, crackers, boxed rice (no bags), egg noodles, applesauce, Spam, paper towels, toilet paper, 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.



Lori Shenk, Manheim's rep from Northwest EMS, dropped by earlier this month 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 next month.

Looking ahead to upcoming months: In June, we plan to bring in some of our childhood and/or graduation pictures to show, and it will be fun to guess who's who. For July, we are planning a sing-along of several of our favorite patriotic songs. We welcome new members to come and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and fun, and we have refreshments, too!!



See you in May!!

Preschool News

Thank you to all who came together to hold an Easter Egg Hunt this April! Our current and future students were invited to attend. Parents and grandparents also joined in the fun. I received so many complements on the event and appreciate all who helped to organize this!



In early April we had VisionCorps coming in to do free vision screenings for our students. We enjoyed watching caterpillars turn into butterflies and took advantage of some beautiful weather to release them. As we finish out April, we are planning a field trip for our Pre-K classes to Baron Elementary. This is a great piece to help with Kindergarten transition. Our classes will spend time in a Kindergarten classroom, tour the school, and enjoy lunch. We are looking forward to this experience!



Our last day of Preschool is on May 12th and I can't believe we are finalizing our end of year plans. Looking to the 2023/24 school year, our Preschool classes are full, we have one Toddler Class spot open and 4 Pre-K spots available. We are looking to open an additional Tuesday/Thursday class. If you know of anyone interested in one of our programs, please encourage them to reach out to me.

Thank you for all of your support!

Katie Mummau

ZLPS Director



*...a fun place to
play and learn!*

May Birthdays

5/1	Betty Wise
5/6	Leonard Burns Angie Quesenberry
5/8	Carol Atherholt
5/9	Erma May
5/10	Brianna Boltz
5/19	Doug Connelly
5/20	Ed Evock
5/24	Donna Moore
5/29	Betty Strickler



May Anniversaries

5/20	Rick & Holly Brosey Shawn & Claudia Seibert
5/24	Dave & Betty Wise

I want to thank everyone for the cards I received for my most recent birthday. They were all very well appreciated.

In Christian Love,
Helen Blank

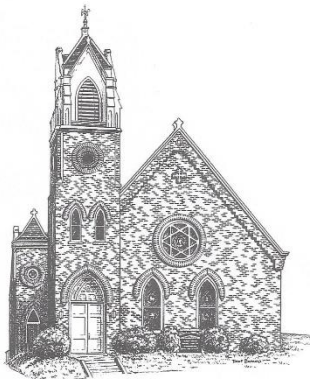


Prayer Chain

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

Birth – Hudson Eugene Sprenkle, son of Brian & Colleen Sprenkle, born March 12, 2023

Birth - Samson Leo Nolt, son of Kassidy Breneman and Bronson Nolt, born April 6, 2023

Financial Notes:

with joy and thanksgiving for your faithful stewardship.

OFFERINGS	Mo. Total	Budget
March General Fund offering	15,550	18,532
March Capital Campaign offering	2,180	-----
April General Fund offering (as of 4/17)	14,744	23,165
April Capital Campaign offering (as of 4/17)	1,485	---

May Readings

5/1	Psalm 100 Ezekiel 34:17-23 1 Peter 5:1-5	5/9	Psalm 102:1-17 Proverbs 3:5-12 Acts 7:44-56
5/2	Psalm 100 Ezekiel 14:23-31 Hebrews 13:20-21	5/10	Psalm 102:1-17 Proverbs 3:13-18 John 8:31-38
5/3	Psalm 100 Jeremiah 23:1-8 Matthew 20:17-28	5/11	Psalm 66:8-20 Genesis 6:5-22 Acts 27:1-12
5/4	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Genesis 12:1-3 Acts 6:8-15	5/12	Psalm 66:8-20 Genesis 7:1-24 Acts 27:13-38
5/5	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Exodus 3:1-12 Acts 7:1-16	5/13	Psalm 66:8-20 Genesis 8:13-19 John 14:27-29
5/6	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Jeremiah 26:20-24 John 8:48-59	5/14	<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21
5/7	<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14	5/15	Psalm 93 Genesis 9:8-17 Acts 27:39-44
5/8	Psalm 102:1-17 Exodus 13:17-22 Acts 7:17-40	5/16	Psalm 93 Deuteronomy 5:22-33 1 Peter 3:8-12
		5/17	Psalm 93 Deuteronomy 31:1-13 John 16:16-24

May Readings, cont'd

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| 5/18 | <i>Ascension of Our Lord</i>
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53 | 5/26 | Psalm 33:12-22
Exodus 19:16-25
Romans 8:14-17 |
| 5/19 | Psalm 93
2 Kings 2:1-12
Ephesians 2:1-7 | 5/27 | Psalm 33:12-22
Exodus 20:1-21
Matthew 5:1-12 |
| 5/20 | Psalm 93
2 Kings 2:13-15
John 8:21-30 | 5/28 | <i>Day of Pentecost</i>
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 20:19-23 |
| 5/21 | <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>
Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11 | 5/29 | Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Joel 2:18-29
Romans 8:18-24 |
| 5/22 | Psalm 99
Leviticus 9:1-11, 22-24
1 Peter 4:1-6 | 5/30 | Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29
Romans 8:26-27 |
| 5/23 | Psalm 99
Numbers 16:41-50
1 Peter 4:7-11 | 5/31 | Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Numbers 11:24-30
John 7:37-39 |
| 5/24 | Psalm 99
1 Kings 8:54-65
John 3:31-36 | | |
| 5/25 | Psalm 33:12-22
Exodus 19:1-9a
Acts 2:1-11 | | |

*W*HEN WE PUT
OUR PROBLEMS IN
GOD'S HANDS,
HE PUTS HIS PEACE IN
OUR HEARTS.

Altar Flowers



May 7 *This space available. Please call office at 665-5880.*

May 14 *This space available. Please call office at 665-5880.*

May 21 Jody Hess in honor of the marriage of Amy Kulp & Chris Williams

May 28 Sue & Doug Shaw in honor of Austin & Dylan's birthdays

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 May – Tom & Cathy Knittle in honor of Hailey's college graduation

Bulletins are - \$9.00 per week



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

Worship Help Schedule

Date	Greeters/Ushers	Lay Readers	Communion Assistants
5/7	Donna Moore	Kyle Spohn	-----
5/14	Donn & Deb Gehman	Denny Valins	Donna Wilkie
5/21	Stanley Rohrer	Brian Miller	-----
5/28	Dennis Obetz	Mary Welliver	-----
6/4	Jim & Susan Scales	John Blanck	-----
6/11	Mike & Kathy Connelly	Wayne Olson	-----
6/18	Doug & Sue Shaw	Fay Varner	-----
6/25	Tom & Cathy Knittle	Carol Atherholt	-----

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
Betty Myers	Donna Ober	Donna Rhodes
Dennis Shafnisky	Nic & Stefan Spohn	Joanne Tome
Mary Welliver		

Please remember our Friends of Zion in your prayers:

Denny Ammerman	Daryl Barry	Edna Barto
Kathy Brosey	Hana Haatainen Caye	Joe Coddington
Ernie Corson, III	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.*

