Zion Lutheran Church

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Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar
Sunday, April 30, 2017

PASTOR DAN UPDATE
Pastor Dan is still recuperating from back surgery. He is doing well and is now pain free, but is **still** unable to drive! He is conducting some business from home while he recuperates, and is tentatively planning on being back in the office after **May 3rd** with clearance from his doctor. He will preside over the **May 7th** worship services. Pastor Dan may be reached by email at **DRSchroeder54@gmail.com,** or on his cell phone at (**860) 539-3478** in the event of a pastoral emergency. For routine business, please contact the office, and Laura Hamilton will assist you. If you'd like to send pastor Dan a card, his address is: **Dan Schroeder, 28 Glenside Trail, Sparta, NJ 07871**

OFFICE HOURS NEXT WEEK
Laura Hamilton will be out of the office on **Thursday** and **Friday, May 4th** and **5th,** and **Monday May 8th** for her daughter Emma's college graduation. We would appreciate some volunteers to staff the office on those days. Please contact Laura in the office if you can help at all. Thank-you!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE
The attendance for **April 16th** was 35 at the **8:00 AM** service, and 38 at the **10:30 AM** service.

ALTAR FLOWERS
Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by **Judy Samuelson**, in memory of her father Ragnar K. Pedersen; **Craig and Marianne Dise,** in honor of the 1st birthday of their granddaughter Alexis, and **Deena and Larry Salvatore,** in celebration of their 38th wedding anniversary. If you have signed up for flowers, we thank you. Please use the offering plate for your donations and be sure to label them "flowers".

ADULT FORUM TODAY
The **Adult Forum** will cede time today to an informal question and answer session with **Pastor Reitz** regarding the Capital Campaign. The Forum will continue in its usual location in the Adult Forum Room upon Pastor Dan's return, **Sunday, May 7th**.

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL UPDATE
Due to a lack of interest last week in a discussion of the **Quarterly Financial Update,** the hard copies of the report will remain available in the Narthex for the next few weeks (they were also attached to this week's "Happenings" email). Please pick one up if you haven't already, and direct any questions you have to **Council President**, **Fred Humcke**. We thank all those who spent time preparing the quarterly update for the congregation, and **Renee Feldman** and **Pam Moore** for preparing a delicious lunch.

CHESTER BAROQUE ORCHESTRA BENEFIT CONCERT TODAY
The **Chester Baroque Orchestra,** will be holding a concert in Faith Hall **today** at **4:00 pm**, and the public is invited. Zion member, **Jeanette Baker** is a Violist in the orchestra**.** Refreshments will be served. There is no cost to attend, but a "free will offering" will be accepted, and all proceeds will benefit the **Zion Historic Preservation Fund**. We will also have several Zion "mementos" for sale, and all proceeds from the sale of these items will go to the Historic Preservation Fund as well. Please contact **Laura Hamilton** at **hamilton4to1@aol.com** or **Jeanette Baker** at **908-852-3334** for more information.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY IN RECESS
The **Tuesday Bible** study group is in recess until further notice. Sessions will resume when Pastor Dan is back in the office.

CONFIRMATION CLASS THIS WEDNESDAY
Confirmation Classes will meet again **Wednesday, May 3rd,** with students gathering at about 3:30 for snacks before class begins. **Class will be moved to Fields Hall due to a funeral luncheon that will be taking place in Faith Hall beginning at 2:00. Pastor Bruce Davidson** has kindly offered to teach the class on **May 3rd** in Pastor Dan's absence. The students will be studying their last unit of the year, and the topic of discussion will be: **Why should I pray?**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 7TH
The following are scheduled to assist in worship services next Sunday. We have made some assignments, so if you are not able to serve, please contact **Malainie Hibler** Stoma at **best-omaha@live.com**, or **Laura Hamilton** in the office.

8:00 AM: **Communion Assistants:** Joseph Seewald III; **Acolyte:** Luke Scudese; **Lector:** Jeff Naglestad; **Ushers:** Emily and Diane Rochotte; **Greeters and Pre-**

senters: Matthew and Lizzie Ochs; **Singers:** Jeanne Howell and Linda Tucker. **10:30AM**: **Communion Assistant:** Renee Feldman; **Acolyte:** Carson Nordmann; **Lector:** Helga Schwartz; **Ushers:** Malainie Hibler-Stoma and Brian Bumpus; **Greeters and Presenters:** Marcia Davidson and Vi Muriello.

Eucharistic Minister: Linda and Gale Tucker**; Coffee Hour Host:** TBD

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VBS
Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **June 26-30**, **2017**, but it will be here before we know it! Registration is open, and we are still looking for volunteers. Registration and volunteer forms are available on the bulletin board in Fields Hall—please drop them in Renee Feldman's mailbox in the Parish Center offices. We are also looking for a sponsor for a Thrivent Action Team Project grant for VBS. If you can sponsor one, please contact **Laura Hamilton** at hamilton4to1@aol.com or in the office.

NEW MAY DATES FOR KIDS YOGA CLUB/STRESS MANAGEMENT CLASSES
If you didn't get a chance to enroll in April's classes, new dates are available for May! Both classes are being offered by Zion Member **Kiera Mitchell,** Certified Nutrition Coach and Yoga Instructor**,** and **Amy Nesbihal**, a Certified Holistic Health Coach. A 10% discount is available on both classes for siblings. Please contact Kiera Mitchell for registration, or any questions at **kierahmitchell@gmail.com.**

LVCNS REGISTRATION
Long Valley Christian Nursery School is registering for the **2017-2018** school year. Enroll today to secure your spot in your first-choice class. LVCNS serves children between the ages of 2 1/2 to 6 years old. Mommy and Me classes are now underway, but space is still available. A new class begins Fall 2017 for children 19 months to 2 1/2 years old. Call the school for a tour or more information.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS
"Coffee Hour" will take place in **Faith Hall** for the month of May. If you love our **"Coffee Hour"**, please consider signing up to host a Sunday, or share the host duties with someone else. We have a shortage of hosts and helpers! Please contact **Christine Stabile** at **CStabile2016@gmail.com** if you would be able to help or host. Thank-you!

THE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP
LVCAP has filled its **Shopper, Emergency Fund Coordinator, and Food Drive Coordinator** positions. They would like someone to assume the position as **LVCAP Coordinator,** which will be vacant as of the end of April, 2017. They also need someone to help with communications and social media posts. If you are interested in helping out, please contact **Susan Spina** at **susanspina@comcast.net**.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD
Thrivent Financial will be hosting a **Habitat for Humanity** Build date on **Saturday, May 6th** in Dover, New Jersey. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers that day. For more information and to RSVP please contact Bruce Kleindienst, Financial Consultant, at Kimberly.Kleindienst@Thrivent.com or **973-586-4517**.

LVCAP FOOD DRIVE COMING IN MAY
Zion's designated month to stock the **LVCAP Interfaith Food Pantry** is **May**. We will be looking for a sponsor for a matching **Thrivent Action Team Project** grant so we can maximize our food donations. More information to follow in upcoming "Happenings" emails and the May LVL Newsletter.

CHURCH BASEMENT LADIES MUSICAL MAY 10TH
The Parish Life group is getting together to see the production of the musical comedy **"Church Basement Ladies"** at the Pines Dinner Theatre in Allentown, PA on May 10th. Lunch is at noon and the show starts at 2:00. Tickets are $49 for lunch and the show, but a group price is available for groups of 20 or more. If you haven't signed up yet, please do! A sign-up sheet is available on the Fields Hall bulletin board. **There will be no other Parish Life events in May.** Please contact **Vi Muriello** at **gingermom123@aol.com** with questions.

QUARTER AUCTION BENEFIT
Many vendors have signed up already, but space is still available for congregation members who have home-based businesses and would like to participate in a **"Quarter Auction"** to benefit **Zion's Historic Preservation Fund** on **June 3rd.** Vendors may sign up on a "first-come, first served" basis. Please contact **Renee Feldman** as soon as possible at **rcrfeldman@yahoo.com** if you are interested in participating as a vendor. We are also looking for a sponsor for a Thrivent Action Team Project grant for the Quarter Auction. If you can sponsor one, please contact **Laura Hamilton** at hamilton4to1@aol.com or in the office.

ZION ONLINE
We thank **Yeong Jan** for keeping our **zionlongvalley.org** website, and our **"Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley"** Facebook sites up to date. Visit our online sites for our calendar, current events and fun photos of life here at Zion. Please be sure to "like" us on Facebook! **You may now access the LVL newsletters, Bulletin Announcements and Pastor Dan's sermons online!**

THE LVL NEWSLETTER
The deadline for the **June** newsletter is **Thursday, May 25th.** Your prompt attention to the deadline is appreciated! We are especially interested in graduation information and future plans of our Zion students for our **June** edition of the LVL! If you have something you'd like to communicate, please pass it on to **Laura Hamilton** at the office email address at **zionlongvalley@gmail.com**, or drop it in the office mailbox.

Easter Flower Dedications

We wanted to acknowledge the following Easter flower dedications that were received this week with the counting envelopes:

Paul Tauscher—*In memory of Susan M. Tauscher and Ruth Irene Trexler*

Paul and Pearl Tauscher—*In memory of Lady Isha Kamaluddin, Sheik Mohamed Kama luddin, Erene Ruth Tauscher, the Rever end Robert William Tauscher, Bibi Wazela Kamaluddin, and Bib Halima Hossain*

STEPHEN MINISTRY®

Stephen Ministry is based on the promise that all baptized people receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, and each of us are ministers (servants) of Jesus Christ. Stephen Ministry is a part of Zion's congregational life, in which members of Zion, specially trained and equipped, provide Christ-centered caregiving to members of this church and community. This multiplies the caring ministry of Zion, providing us with a team of skilled caregivers who are able to bring the healing love of Christ to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing stress in their lives. Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry. The identity of those receiving care and everything they discuss with a Stephen Minister remains private. For more information on Stephen's Ministry, you can contact team leaders **Marcia Horner** and **Pam Moore**. Please feel free to call the church office if you need their contact information.

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We Remember In Our Prayers

Blessed are those who die in the Lord: Carl F. Van Britson

Those who are in nursing homes: Kenneth Winterfeldt Donald Burd

ONGOING NEEDS:

Members: Amanda Seabeck Courtney Derr Sue Koeppen Joyce Shakespeare
Margie Muller Anna Secka Rachel Sauer Stephen Frommeyer
Pearl Tauscher Pastor Dan Schroeder

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Lori Biernacki and family, daughter of Vi Muriello
Steve Quinn, William von Minden, Anita Berger, Amy Vincent, Klara Kiss, Vivian Thorsen, Sheryl Murphy-Manley, all family and friends of Jeanette Baker
Anita Wylds, relative of Pam Moore
Barbara Macholz, Mary Beth Bocksel, Jack Steffen, family and friends of Jeanne Howell
Joseph Vacca, friend of the Koeppens
Wilma Weiss and Irma Koeppen , mothers of Sue and Doug Koeppen
Elwin & Helen Farwell, parents of Judy Bumpus
Kayla and Hailey Marie Stoll, Katie Wojcicki, the Mancuso Family, Justin Fogarty, Sue Burd, and Karen, family& friends of Betty Rush
Great-Nephew of Barbara Gunderson Rennie
Heidi Doyle, daughter of Betty Rush
Mary Janeski, mother of Karen Sauer
Stu Gutman, friend of Yeong Jan
Allie Henkel and Andy Ellmann, friends of Courtney and Corey Derr
Donna East, community resident
Barbara and Joseph Seewald Sr., parents of Joseph Seewald
Carol Hausman, daughter of Eleanor Smith, friend of Betty Rush
Peter Rochelle, father of Renee Feldman
Gwen Long, friend of Ellen Miller
Trevor & Rebecca Weiss, friends of Reg Tauscher
Michael Derr, uncle of Corey
Dolores Davidson, sister-in-law of Charlie and Marcia Davidson
Jacky Clay, granddaughter of Annie & Bob
Laura Glowincki, friend of Meghan Callow
William Cross, Mandy Brunkow, the Bordner family, Randy, Karen, & Sarah, family & friends of the Tauschers
Barbara Blaine, sister of Barry Blaine
Blanca Oliveras, mother-in-law of Jeff Naglestad
Judy Friend, mother of Diane Domareki
Ruth Dise, mother of Craig Dise
William Holloway, brother of Annie Clay
Ryan Sullivan, friend of Malainie Stoma
Luke Senner and Jane Lee Forrester, friend of the Hiblers
Wally & David Kreutzer, mother and brother of Pam Meling
Donny Banerji, friend of Ellen Miller
Rosalee Carroll, friend of Vi Muriello
Wayne Carter, Ray & Michele Kramer, Susan Robinson, Lori Larsen, Mark & Kara Pfunke, Jerry Edelen, friends and family of the Horners
Charlie Noll, friend of Helga & Reinhard Schwartz
Don Winkler, brother-in-law of Rob & Mickey Johnson
Ann Marie Simpson, friend of the Staadas
Hannelore Seitz, family of the Stabile family
Bill Friedrich, brother-in-law to Rick Kohler
Geraldine, Jamie & Joseph Capodiferro, Valerie Patitucci, Peter & Linda Cooper, Rose Vaz, Gary & Kevin Brenner, family and friends of Ed & Rose Galandak
Carol Schumacher, cousin of Marcia Horner

If you have prayers you would like included on this list, or if there are updates needed, please contact the church office.

This Week at Zion

SUNDAY: **3nd Sunday of Easter**

(04/30/17)	8:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	4:00 PM	Baroque Orchestra Concert Fundraiser
MONDAY:	4:15 PM	Kids Yoga
	6:00 PM	Stress Management for Kids
	7:00 PM	Stephen Ministry
TUESDAY:	4:15 PM	Kids Yoga
	5:00 PM	Brownie Troop #96090
	6:00 PM	Stress Management for Kids
	7:00 PM	Garden Club of Long Valley
WEDNESDAY:	11:30 PM	Van Britson Funeral
	2:00 PM	Van Britson Funeral Luncheon
	3:30 PM	Confirmation Class
THURSDAY:	11:15 AM	Kiddie Soccer
	2:45 PM	Junior GS Troop #95640
	6:00 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts—Den 6
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Call Prayer Moment
FRIDAY:	5:00 PM	Daisy Troop #96762
	7:00 PM	Cub Scouts—Den 1
	8:30 PM	AA Meeting
SATURDAY:	8:30 PM	Capital Campaign Training

SUNDAY: **4th Sunday of Easter**

(05/7/17)	8:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Eagle Scout Interview Project

Office Crew

We occasionally need some volunteer help in the office during "crunch times", special projects, or when Laura Hamilton is away. Some tasks volunteers can do include answering the phones, envelope stuffing, bulletin assembly, and organizing. We appreciate all who have helped in the past. If you are interested in being part of the "crew" and **especially if you can help this week** - please fill out the form below.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Available days and times: _____

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Place this form in the offering plate, mail to the church office, or place in the church secretary's mailbox in the parish center. You may also email the church office at **zionlongvalley@gmail.com**. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.