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Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar
Sunday, October 8, 2017

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The attendance for **October 1st** was **35** at the **8:00 AM** service and **31** at the **9:15 AM** service. Average attendance through **October 1st** is **43** at the first service, and **48** at the second service. Average Sunday attendance through **October 1st** was **74**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ron and Barb Schulz in honor of Brian and Kelsey Schulz's wedding anniversary.

ADULT FORUM RESUMES TODAY

Adult Forum will meet at **10:30 am Sunday** in the **Adult Forum Room**. This Sunday we will discuss the roots of the Reformation.

THE TRAGEDY IN LAS VEGAS – THE ELCA IS THERE

We were all shocked and deeply saddened by the news reports from Las Vegas concerning the mass shooting this past Sunday that resulted in the deaths of dozens and the injury of hundreds. We pray for the families and friends of those killed, as well as for those who were wounded or injured and all who are near to them. We ask God to be with all of us as we struggle to understand such acts of senseless violence toward others.

For those who are not aware, the ELCA has responded to the tragedy in specific ways beyond raising prayers across the nation and world. Lutheran congregations and organizations in the Las Vegas area opened their doors, offered care and counseling, and organized prayer vigils. Lutheran Church Charities has also dispatched 14 trained comfort dogs, 3 trained police ministry dogs and a total of 31 handlers to Ve-

gas to be with those affected as they attempt to reassemble shattered lives. For more information on the ELCA, please visit www.ELCA.org.

BARRY BLAINE

Our friend **Barry Blaine** continues to recover from some significant health challenges, and is now receiving in-patient therapy at the **Kessler Rehabilitation Center**. If you would like to send a note to let him know you are thinking of him, he can be reached at : **201 Pleasant Hill Rd., Chester, NJ, 07930, Room 212**. The phone number at Kessler is **(973) 252-6400**. We send our thoughts and prayers to Barry, Ellen and their family, and hope he is up and around soon!

ZION MEMBERS! TAKE THE SURVEY!!

An important piece of our transition process is the gathering of information and opinions from the congregation. An important piece of this “gathering” is a survey that has been organized by your Transition Team. The survey can be taken online, beginning on **Friday, October 6th**, on a site called “**Survey Monkey**” by going to the following URL: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/zionlongvalley>.

Please note! If you start the survey online and are forced to quit the survey before you have finished it, make note of what section and question you are on. You can then enter the survey site at a later time and start a new survey where you left off.

If you are not comfortable taking online surveys, we have paper copies available in the Narthex. We will even mail you a paper survey if you contact the church office! The survey will give our Transition Team information that will be passed on to a future Call Committee, and will also highlight areas upon which we can center future discussions.

It is critical that we get as many people participating in this survey as possible. The more participants, the more accurately our information will represent the entire congregation. So please take the time to fill out a survey. If you have questions, you may contact the church office or any member of the **Transition Team: Bill Howell, Dottie Weis, Maddie Bataille, Megan Davis, and Diane Rochotte**.

LVCNS FALL FEST THIS TUESDAY

Long Valley Christian Nursery School, in connection with Zion Lutheran Church, will be holding a **Fall Fest**. This family friendly event, is being held on **October 10th** from **10:30am -12:30pm** at Zion. “Sprinkles” the Clown, a Moon Bounce House, and pony rides will be enjoyed, and food will be provided by Zion Lutheran Church. Children will also create “Zion Rocks”! **Registration forms are located on the board in Fields Hall. Please RSVP and return to the church or nursery school office. Bring a friend!**

BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY

The **Tuesday Bible Study Group** will meet again this coming **Tuesday, October 10th** at **1:00**. Instead of meeting for lunch prior to Bible Study at our usual location, we encourage the group to attend the **LVCNS Fall Fest**, enjoy lunch grilled by our own Zion members, and paint a rock or two with the kids!

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION THIS WEDNESDAY

Confirmation instruction will continue after school at **3:40 pm Wednesday, October 11th**. **Our topic of conversation is: *Getting to know the Old Testament***. If you would like to sign up to be the “second adult” during the confirmation classes, or can volunteer to bring snacks, the sign-up sheet is located on the **Education Board in Fields Hall**, or email Pastor Dan at **DRSchroeder54@gmail.com**. We would especially appreciate a few mentors as volunteers! We still need the kids to sign-up for worship assistants slots, so parents please stop in at pick-up, and bring your calendar. All students will be assigned to serve in worship, so now is your chance to select your dates.

COFFEE HOUR HELP NEEDED

If you enjoy “**Coffee Hour**”, please consider hosting or helping! We have a shortage of folks willing to coordinate this fun social event every Sunday. If you can help in any way by hosting one week or providing a dish, please contact **Vi Muriello** at **gin-germom123@aol.com**

ORT FARMS NEXT WEEKEND– HELP WANTED!

Ort Farms weekend is coming up this **October 13-15th**! Please join us to raise funds for our Social Ministry. Sign-up sheets for **Ort Farms Weekend** are located in **Fields Hall**, or you may reach out to **Jance Denzler** directly at **(908) 672-9747**, or by email at **jance.denzler@experian.com**.

FALL COLLEGE CONNECTION CARE PACKAGES

Kerri Bataille will be organizing the **College Connection Care** packages this year. Please forward any address changes you have for your students to **Kerri Bataille** at **KBataille@comcast.net**. You can also fill out the form in the Narthex and drop it in the collection plate or in Laura Hamilton’s box in the Parish Center. We don’t want anyone to miss out on the legendary Zion care package! Also, if you are able to sponsor the mailing costs with a **Thrivent Action Team** grant, please let Kerri know. Thank you!

BEREAVEMENT GROUP TO BEGIN THIS MONTH

A new group, “**Comfort My People**”, will be starting up this month to offer support for those who have suffered loss of any kind in their lives. The group will meet on **Thurs-**

day, October 26th at 10:00 am in the adult forum room and will generally be meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month. Sessions will be facilitated by Pastor Dan and will follow selected study materials and encourage sharing by those gathered. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact the church office so that we can order the appropriate number of booklets.

OCTOBER IS COLLECTION MONTH FOR SHOEBOX STUFFERS!

Our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party is fast approaching on November 4th! Please mark your calendars and join us to pack our boxes! **During October we are collecting donations of :** toiletries, small toys, and games, art supplies, hard candies, school supplies, small stuffed animals (Beanie Babies in new condition that have been collecting in your attics would be perfect!). Please place your donations in the bins located in the Narthex, and mark them for "shoe boxes". Once again, we must thank **Jeanne Howell** for sewing hundreds of cute "hygiene roll-ups" for our boxes! We also have pre-wrapped boxes to fill and bring in if you prefer. For more information contact **Laura Hamilton** at hamilton4to1@aol.com or in the church office.

THE ZION ANNUAL BENEFIT CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR - A WAY TO GIVE BACK

This year we will hold our third annual **Zion Benefit Craft Fair** on **Saturday, November 11th** from **9 to 3**. This year we will divide our proceeds between the **Sarah's Fight for HOPE Foundation**, which has begun meeting in Faith Hall this year, and the **11th Hour Rescue**. If you would like to be a part of our effort or have any questions, please contact **Jeanne Howell** at **908-879-4764** or jeannehow@embarqmail.com.

YOGA AND WELLNESS CLASSES

Zion member **Kiera Mitchell** of **Nutrition Intuition LLC** and **Amy Nesbihal** from **Transformations From Within** are offering drop-in **Wellness Classes** for kids on certain Tuesdays from 4:15-5:15 pm, **Adult Gentle Yoga** on Wednesdays at 11:30 am and 12:30 pm, and **Yoga for Kids** on certain days at 5:30 to 6:30. All classes take place here at Zion. Please check the calendar for the class schedule on Zion's website, or contact **Kiera Mitchell** at kieramitchell@gmail.com if you have questions or you'd like to register for any of these classes.

SIMPLY GIVING MAKES KEEPING COMMITMENTS EASIER!

It is common for church giving to dip during the summer months as people are away on vacation. However, our fixed costs continue and this often results in a financial deficit at this time of year. We would like to ask you to please catch up with giving if you have fallen behind due to travel. We also ask that you prayerfully consider joining the Simply Giving program. This is an automated payment system that will help us smooth out the giving bumps during the entire year. **Please see the detailed letter in the Narthex.**

October 2017—8:00 A.M. WORSHIP

	Communion Assistant	Acolyte	Lector	Ushers	Greeters
1	Marge Scudese	Luke Scudese	Marge Scudese	Barb Schulz	Kerri and Dave Bataille
8	Joe Seewald	Emily Wallace	Judy Bumpus	Jance Denzler Rick Kohler	Jance Denzler
15 Ort Farms Weekend	John Zeier	Catherine Stabile	Jeff Naglestad	Ryan and Christine Stabile	Emily and Diane Rochotte
22	Kerri Bataille	Jacqui Fritsch	Marcia Horner	Dave Bataille	Marge Scudese
29	Linda Tucker	Luke Scudese	Peggy Humcke	Barb Schulz and Bob Clay	TBD

October 2017— 9:15 A.M. WORSHIP

	Communion Assistant	Acolyte	Lector	Ushers	Greeters
1	Zion Member	Zion Member	Paul Litwiller	Annie Clay Brian Bumpus	Bob and Dottie Weis
8	Craig Dise	Zion Member	Larry Salvatore	TBD	TBD
15 Ort Farms Weekend	TBD	Zion Member	TBD	Malainie Hibler Stoma and Bob Motylenski	Marcia Davidson Cathy DiLello
22	Brian Bumpus	Zion Member	Judy Bumpus	Larry Salvatore and Helga Schwartz	TBD
29	Reinhard Schwartz	Zion Member	Jeanne Howell	TBD	Dottie and Bob Weis

Worship Assistant Calendars for October

Please review the October calendar of worship assistants assignments in this announcements bulletin. **November sign-up sheets are up on the board in Fields Hall if you prefer to sign up before assignments are made.** Please let Laura in the office know if you cannot, or don't want to serve in the slot you have been assigned. You may also contact **Malainie Hibler-Stoma** with questions about worship assistants at **best-omaha@live.com**. Please contact **Vi Muriello** if you can volunteer to help with Coffee Hour at **gingermom123@aol.com**.

Zion isn't Zion without all of you!

Coffee Hour Hosts/Hostesses:

October 1:Judy Bumpus; **October 8:**Betty Rush and Marcia Davidson; **October 15:** Helga Schwartz; **October 22:**TBD; **October 29:**Reformation Sunday Luncheon.

Eucharistic Ministers:

October 1:Brian and Judy Bumpus; **October 8:** Brian and Judy Bumpus; **October 15:** Linda and Gale Tucker; **October 22:** Linda and Gale Tucker; **October 29:**Judy and Brian Bumpus.

Singers:

October 1:Christine Stabile and Malainie Hibler-Stoma; **October 8:** Betty Rush and Ann Rahmann; **October 15:** Linda Tucker and Doug Koeppen; **October 22:**Jeanne Howell and Marcia Horner; **October 29:**Christine Stabile and Ann Rahmann.

This Week at Zion

SUNDAY: Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

(10/8/17) 8:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
 9:15 AM Sunday School
 9:15 AM Traditional Worship Service
 10:30 AM Adult Forum
 10:30 AM Outreach Committee meeting

MONDAY: 7:00 PM Pack 136—Den 6

TUESDAY: 9:00 AM Fall Fest
 1:00 PM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Lyme Support
 7:00 PM Executive Council
 7:00 PM Sarah's Fight For Hope

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 AM LVCNS
 9:30 AM Boost Your Mind
 11:30 AM Adult Gentle Yoga
 12:15 PM Adult Gentle Yoga
 3:40 PM Confirmation Class
 6:00 PM Pack 136—Den 3

THURSDAY: 8:00 AM Ort Farm prep
 10:00 AM Kiddie Soccer
 4:30 PM GS Troop 95645
 5:30 PM Enclave HOA
 6:00 PM Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal
 6:30 PM LVJB
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY: 3:00 PM Ort Farm prep
 8:30 PM AA Meeting

SATURDAY: 8:00 AM Ort Farm Fundraiser
 8:30 AM Praise Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

(10/15/17) 8:00 AM Ort Farm Fundraiser
 8:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
 9:15 AM Sunday School
 9:15 AM Traditional Worship Service
 10:30 AM Adult Forum



We Remember In Our Prayers



Hospitalized: Barry Blaine, husband of Ellen Blaine

Those who are in nursing homes: Kenneth Winterfeldt

ONGOING NEEDS:

Members: Amanda Seabeck	Courtney Derr	Sue Koeppen	Joyce Shakespeare
Margie Muller	Anna Secka	Rachel Sauer	Pearl Tauscher
Vi Muriello	Charlie Burd		

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Tom LaPointe, friend of Marcia Horner

Joy Carducci, former Zion member

Jenny Schroeder, wife of Pastor Dan Schroeder

Anna Kennedy and Emmett Kennedy Norman, family of Judy Bumpus

Carol Johnson, cousin of Dottie Weis

Katie Antonaccio, LVCNS teacher

Peter Jensen, William von Minden, Amy Vincent, Sheryl Murphy-Manley, all family and friends of Jeanette Baker

Emily Mancuso, granddaughter of Betty Rush

Rupa and Donny Banerji, friend of Ellen Miller

Lori Biernacki and family, daughter of Vi Muriello

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

The Mancuso Family, Justin Fogarty, Charlie and Sue Burd, Karen, and Eleanor Smith, former Secretary at Zion, family & friends of Betty Rush

Great-nephew of Barbara Gunderson Rennie

Mary Janeski, mother of Karen Sauer

Stu Gutman, friend of Yeong Jan

Allie Henkel and Andy Ellmann, friends of Courtney and Corey Derr

Barbara and Joseph Seewald Sr., parents of Joseph Seewald

Gwen Long, friend of Ellen Miller

Trevor & Rebecca Weiss, friends of Reg Tauscher

Michael Derr, uncle of Corey Derr

Dolores Davidson, sister-in-law of Charlie and Marcia Davidson

Laura Glowinski, friend of Meghan Callow

William Cross, Mandy Brunkow, the Bordner family, Randy, Karen, & Sarah, family & friends of the Tauschers

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

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

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