

Zion Lutheran Church

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Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar Sunday, November 26, 2017

LUTHER QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"To fulfill the law, however, is to do its works with pleasure and love, to live a godly and good life of one's own accord, without the compulsion of the law. This pleasure and love for the law is put into the heart by the Holy spirit."

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The attendance on **November 19th** was **35** at **8 am** and **52** adults and children at **9:15 am**. Average attendance through **November 19th** is **41** at the first service and **46** at the second service (post opening). Average Sunday attendance through **November 19th** is **74**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Lori Prussack, and by Cathy DiLello in memory of Mario DiLello.

BARRY BLAINE

Zion friend Barry Blaine is still recovering from illness, but has moved to a new facility. If you would like to send Barry a note, his new address is: **William Blaine, Holly Manor, 84 Cold Hill Rd., Mendham, NJ, 07945, Room 30**.

A VERY BIG THANK-YOU!!

Jeanne Howell would like to express her thanks to all who helped with and supported the craft fair. It simply cannot happen without everyone's help and support. This year we raised just over **\$3400** which will be divided equally between the **11th Hour Pet Rescue and Sarah's Fight for HOPE Foundation**. A special thanks to new contributors to the fair this year as something new and different is always being sought! Also a big thanks to the gals from our Monday morning craft group and to God for blessing us so richly once again.

2018 STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

Please remember to return your **2018 Pledge Cards** to the collection box in the Narthex. The image of the rose that we have created is looking a bit "grayscale" and for

each pledge that is received, a small sliver of the Luther Rose will return to full color. We hope that we can eventually see the entire image of the window once more in full “technicolor”!

HELP US PACK COLLEGE CONNECTION CARE PACKAGES TODAY

Please join the Sunday schoolers to write cards and pack boxes for our college students today at coffee hour in **Fields Hall** after the 9:15 service. We have about **25** care packages to send, so we need a lot of cards and a lot of helpers! **See Kerri Baille or Laura Hamilton** for questions.

BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY

The **Tuesday Bible Study Group** will meet this coming **Tuesday, November 28th** at **12:00 pm** at **Pezzo Pizza**, in Long Valley, for lunch before our study begins at Zion at **1:00**. The group will continue until **December 19th** when there will be a one week Christmas break (**no Bible Study on December 26th**).

NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES THIS WEDNESDAY

Confirmation students will not meet again until after the New Year, on **Wednesday, January 3rd**. Enjoy the holiday break!

MENTOR NIGHT

Thanks to everyone who came out for our congregational dinner and mentor night last week. Mark your calendars for our next Youth Gathering **Roast Beef Stakeholder Dinner – Saturday, January 20th**. Dinner will include served appetizers, caesar salad, roast beef with a baked potato bar, and dessert. We will be taking reservations after the new year. While this dinner will also be a “free will donation”, there will be a suggested donation amount of **\$25** per person.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Pastor Dan will be holding two information sessions for any who would like to become confirmed members of Zion Church. The first session will be on **Wednesday, November 29th at 7:00 pm** in the Adult Forum Room. We will cover Lutheranism nationally and internationally, and the history and polity of the ELCA. The second session will be held on **Saturday, December 2 at 11:00 am** in the Adult Forum Room and will cover the history and structure of Zion Church. We hope to receive new members on **Sunday, December 10th**. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a full member of the church, please contact the pastor.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP TO BEGIN THIS THURSDAY

“**Comfort My People**”, a bereavement group for the Long Valley Community, will meet on **Thursday, November 30th 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 or someone you know are interested in joining the group, please contact the church office.

POINSETTIA ORDER DEADLINE IS THIS FRIDAY

You still have time to order and dedicate Poinsettias for the Christmas season!

The church needs about **60** poinsettias every year to decorate the altar. Plants may be taken home after the holiday services. Please pick up the appropriate forms in the Narthex and drop the orders and checks in the collection plate or Laura Hamilton's box. If you have any questions see **Marilyn Hibler** or contact Laura in the office.

RETURN GIVING TREE DONATIONS BY DECEMBER 3RD

Thanks to those who have chosen a star from the annual "Giving Tree" for the **Market Street Mission** in the Narthex. Please remember to return the gifts to the Narthex by **December 3rd**. We are also collecting gift cards for some local families in need. Donations to their effort would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact **Maryellen Zwingle** or **Sarah Scudese**.

COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING NEXT SUNDAY

The **Annual Community Tree Lighting** takes place here at Zion on **December 3rd at 5PM** (note that set-up time begins at **3PM**). The tree lighting ceremony and concert will be followed by a reception in Faith Hall prepared by the **Garden Club of Long Valley**. The **Long Valley Junior Women's Club** will feature the **Holiday Happenings Gingerbread House Contest** entries and winners. Join us for a wonderful holiday celebration. If you have any questions or can help with set-up and clean-up, please contact **Jeanette Baker at (908) 852-3334**.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT/CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

Please join us on **December 10th at 4 PM** to watch the Sunday School Christmas Pageant and enjoy a congregational pot-luck dinner afterward in Faith Hall. We are still looking for musicians to perform prior to the start of the play. More information will follow in the **December edition of the LVL**. For questions please see **Marge Scudese**.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The **Zion Senior Choir** will present a **Christmas Cantata Service** on **Sunday, December 17th at 9:15 AM**. Come join us and hear the music of Christmas. The Cantata contains a fresh arrangement of carols and beautiful new songs to capture the spirit of Christmas. For more information contact **Marilyn Hibler**.

LVCNS "FIRST FRIENDS PROGRAM" NOW ENROLLING

Is your child going to be 2 1/2 to 3 years old in January? Long Valley Christian Nursery School is opening a new section of our popular **First Friends Program** on **January 4th**. This one day a week, drop-off class is the perfect introduction to a school environment. Call today for information and a tour of our school.



We Remember In Our Prayers



Those who are in nursing homes: Kenneth Winterfeldt

ONGOING NEEDS:

Amanda Seabeck
Margie Muller
Vi Muriello

Courtney Derr
Anna Secka
Charlie Burd

Sue Koeppen
Rachel Sauer
Annie Clay

Joyce Shakespeare
Pearl Tauscher
Barry Blaine

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Rhonda Smith and Vicky McIntyre, sister and aunt of Cheryl Fritsch
Tom LaPointe, friend of Marcia Horner
Joy Carducci, former Zion member
Anna Kennedy and Emmett Kennedy
Norman, family of Judy Bumpus
Carol Johnson, cousin of Dottie Weis
Katie Antonaccio, LVCNS teacher
Carter Manley, Peter Jensen, William von Minden, Amy Vincent, family and friends of Jeanette Baker
Emily Mancuso, granddaughter of Betty Rush
Ron Guzinski, 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.

This Week at Zion

SUNDAY:	Christ the King Sunday	
(11/26/17)	8:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Adult Forum
	10:30 AM	College Connection
	6:00 PM	Baroque Orchestra Concert
MONDAY:	4:30 PM	Property Committee Meeting
	6:30 PM	GS Troop
TUESDAY:	1:00 PM	Bible Study
	4:15 PM	Kids Wellness
	5:30 PM	Kids Yoga
WEDNESDAY:	9:00 AM	LVCNS Baking Day
	11:30 AM	Adult Yoga
	12:30 PM	Adult Yoga
	6:00 PM	Pack 136-Den 7
	7:00 PM	New members Class
THURSDAY:	10:00 AM	Bereavement Group
	4:30 PM	GS Troop 95645
	6:00 PM	Hand bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY:	4:00 PM	GS Troop 96761
	5:00 PM	GS Troop 96762
	6:30 PM	Pack 136—Den 2
	7:00 PM	Stephen Ministry
	7:30 PM	Pack 136—Den1
	8:30 PM	AA Meeting
SATURDAY:	8:30 PM	Praise Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	LVJW Gingerbread House drop-off
	11:00 AM	New members Class
SUNDAY:	First Sunday of Advent	
(12/3/17)	8:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Adult Forum
	5:00 PM	Community Tree Lighting