

# ZION'S HEAVENLY

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## HAPPENINGS



## NEWSLETTER



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*232 Years of worshipping the  
Lord with each other....*

**ZION'S STONE CHURCH OF  
WEST PENN TOWNSHIP**  
A Federated ELCA & UCC Church

45 Cemetery Rd  
New Ringgold, PA 17960

570-386-5111

[www.zionstonechurch.org](http://www.zionstonechurch.org)

Rev. Russell Campbell, Pastor  
Cell # 610-737-2634  
[zionstch@ptd.net](mailto:zionstch@ptd.net)

***Come Worship with Us!***

***9:00am – Sunday Worship Service***

***(1st Sunday of the month Altar Communion)***

***10:15am – Sunday School***

***For All Ages***

***5:00pm – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Night Worship Services***

***(1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Night of the month we will have communion)***

***(No Meal Until Further Notice)***

As of April 2005,  
Zion's Stone Church Lutheran Congregation and Zion's Stone Church United  
Church of Christ Congregation enter into a shared ministry. Keeping both  
heritages in the Sunday Worship Service each week.



# CHURCH STAFF...



**Pastor: Rev. Russell Campbell**

**Office Hours:**

Wednesday and Thursday 10:00am – 4:00pm

**Cell Phone # 610-737-2634**

**Pastor's Home Email:** [revarc@ptd.net](mailto:revarc@ptd.net)

**Pastor's Church Email:** [zionstch@ptd.net](mailto:zionstch@ptd.net)

**Church Administrator/Treasurer:**

**Charlotte Fritz Office Hours:**

Charlotte is currently working from home.  
You can still email or call office at prompt #4.

Charlotte's Office Email: [zscofc@ptd.net](mailto:zscofc@ptd.net)  
(Please use this email for information for Charlotte.)

**Church Secretary:**

**Brenda Osenbach Office Hours:**

Brenda will be in the office from 8:00am – 12:00am Mon – Thurs.

Brenda's Office Email: [zscbrenda@ptd.net](mailto:zscbrenda@ptd.net)  
(Please use this email for all slide, newsletter  
and any other information, for Brenda.)



**Church Office Phone Number:**

**570-386-5111 – When calling use:**

**prompt #2 for Pastor**

**prompt #3 for Brenda**

**prompt #4 for Charlotte**

**Check us out on Facebook!**

Thanks to Sarah Martinez  
for being our Facebook Coordinator!

**Zion's Stone Website**

[www.zionstonechurch.org](http://www.zionstonechurch.org)

**Music Director/Organist:**

Erin Zelinski – 570-205-3511

**Card Care coordinator:**

L.C. Dean: 570-449-0677

**Sexton(s):**

Fred (& Donna) Gimbi - Home # 570-386-2888

Fred's Cell #570-573-7642

# **WORSHIP NOVEMBER 2022**

**Sunday, November 6, 2022 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Pentecost**

**All Saints Sunday**

**w/ Holy Communion – Altar**

**9:00am - Worship Service**

**Sermon Title: “What Makes a Deal Big?”**

Job 19:23-27a      2 Thess. 2:1-5,13-17      Luke 20:27-38

**Sunday, November 13, 2022 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Pentecost**

**9:00am – Worship Service**

**Sermon Title: “Peripheral Vision”**

**w/Young People’s Time**

Isaiah 65:17-25      2 Thess. 3:6-13      Luke 21:5-19

**Sunday, November 20, 2022 – Christ the King**

**9:00am – Worship Service**

**Sermon Title: “Remember Me”**

Jeremiah 23:1-6      Colossians 1:11-20      Luke 23:33-43

**Sunday, November 27, 2022 – 1<sup>st</sup> Advent**

**9:00am – Worship Service w/Altar Communion**

**Sermon Title: “People, Get Ready”**

Isaiah 2:1-5      Romans 13:11-14      Matthew 24:36-44

There will be a combined Thanksgiving Eve Service at  
St. Peter’s Church Mantzville on Wednesday,  
November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm w/Zion’s Stone Church,  
Ben Salem Church Lehighon and St. John’s Mahoning.



## Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 14 September 2022

X Pastor Russel Campbell	X Nancy Meiser	Paul Miller	X Sam Schaefer
X Charlotte Fritz	X Blair Miller	X Gary Clemson	X Amanda Sassaman
X Scot Dietrich	X Dan Metzger	X Rick Zelinski	

(X) = Board Members present

**Member(s) of the congregation** – Church Secretary Brenda Osenbach

**Pastor Russ Campbell** - Opened meeting with prayer

**Pastor's Report** – Presented

**Secretary Report** – Review of 29 June, 6 July, 20 July and 10 August 2022 Board Meeting Minutes. Accepted by Dan Metzger / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Zelinski

**Treasurer's Report** – Accepted by Gary Clemson / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scot Dietrich

### Committee Reports

**Worship & Music** – Nothing to report.

**Property** – Continue to wait for DEP Permit to begin work on well remediation. Future Property Meeting to be scheduled prior to Budget Meeting.

**Finance** – Report presented by Gary Clemson showing that income is trending down over the past 3.5 years.

**Sunday School** – Nothing to report.

**Youth Group** – 11 September Meeting for future activities review and elect new officers.

**Outreach/Evangelism** – Meatballs are still available for sale. See Nancy Meiser or Amanda Sassaman. Also, 12 November is the next New Ringgold Food Pantry distribution. Outreach meeting scheduled for 5 October.

**Fund Raising** – Bingo will be held on Sunday, 2 October – Sponsors still needed. Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner will be on Saturday, 19 November. Fall Festival on Saturday 15 October.

**Personnel** – Will be scheduling a meeting for pre-budget/contract review.

**Safety/Security Committee** – AED batteries and pads still on backorder.

**Other Business** – Directory portraits are postponed to 2023 - TBA.

- Trunk or Treat will be at the Park on Saturday 15 October.  
Additional details will follow for all events.
- A Gospel Sign has been offered/donated to the church. No permit needed from Township. Sign to be installed after location selected.
- Fall Festival, Fund Raising, and Trunk or Treat Meeting on Sunday, 25 September.
- Boscov's 25% Off Coupons still on sale.
- New Ringgold Food Pantry in need for November donations of canned pumpkin and canned evaporated milk

**Pastor Russ Campbell** - Closed with the Lord's Prayer

**Next Church Board Meeting on Wednesday, 12 October 2022 @ 7 pm**

Meeting adjourned. Motion to accept by Scot Dietrich / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Metzger

Respectfully Submitted by Board Secretary, Amanda Sassaman

## NEWSLETTER SUBMITTALS...

Please help the office staff be efficient by having all newsletter submittals emailed to the church office (or placed in the newsletter submittal boxes) by the newsletter deadline, the **Third Sunday** of each month.

If you would like your wedding announcement or if you have a loved one who has entered into eternal life, thank you messages, etc., please contact the office by the newsletter deadline or we may not be able to publish your information until the next month. *Thank You!*

## ALTAR FLOWER & NEWSLETTER SPONSORSHIPS...

If you are interest in sponsoring altar flowers or the newsletter, please call the office at (570) 386-5111 prompt #3, before 12 pm on Wednesday. **Leave a message** with your telephone number and the exact wording you would like to see printed on the slides. We still have Sundays available for the months ahead. Altar flowers are available. Please call the office every time you want to sponsor them. The newsletter is printed one time per month. Use the envelope in your packet marked bulletin. If you would like special wording placed on a slide please include that also with your \$20.00 donation.



***Please do not put your altar flower request in the envelopes, because it may not be seen until it is too late.***

**YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE**

*The Florist wants our orders by Wednesday of each week.*



## COST OF SPONSORSHIP:

**ALTAR FLOWERS      \$25.00**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO**

**ZION'S STONE CHURCH. THANK YOU!**

**ROSEBUD VASE: \$10.00**

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:\$20.00**

## Lectors are needed for every Sunday.

Please sign up in the Narthex. If you or someone you know would like to be a LECTOR ... New volunteers are always welcome.

**Acolytes...** Last year's class and current confirmation classes please sign up on the calendar in the Narthex. Two acolytes are needed for each Sunday. Please arrive by 8:50am to prepare.

**CHURCH/AUDITORIUM FUNCTIONS ARE CURRENTLY NOT BEING SCHEDULED**

**DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE**

**&/OR CELL PHONE NUMBER?**



Please notify the office either through email ([zscofc@ptd.net](mailto:zscofc@ptd.net)) or phone (570-386-5111) with your new information. This way we can keep in touch with you and provide you with important information regarding the church. Thank you!

(All the clip Art printed in this newsletter was taken from google clip art.)

# 2022 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE FIGURES...

September 3, 2022- 15  
 September 4, 2022- 89  
 September 11, 2022- 86  
 September 18, 2022- 115  
 September 25, 2022- 111

October 2, 2022- 89  
 October 9, 2022- 108  
 October 16, 2022- 83  
 October 23, 2022-  
 October 30, 2022-

	<h1>FINANCIAL REPORT</h1>		
<h2>2022 September</h2>			
<p>Current Giving:</p> <p>Total Income Budgeted for 2022-----\$ 214,743.41</p> <p>Total Benevolence income for 2022 -----\$ 11,700.00</p> <p>Total Income plus Benevolence ----- \$ 226,443.41</p>			
<p>Monthly</p> <p>Income &amp; Benevolence</p> <p>\$ 15,111.30</p>		<p>Gain/ (Loss)</p> <p>(\$ 3,758.98)</p>	<p>Weekly Budgeted</p> <p>Income &amp; Benevolence</p> <p>(\$ 4,354.68 – per week)</p> <p>(\$ 18,870.28 – per month)</p>

**Thank you for your continued support of  
 Zion's Stone Church!**



The November Newsletter  
 is sponsored in Memory of  
 Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Steigerwalt.  
 By the Family.



# SPECIAL THANK YOU...

*(The church receives thank you letters from other organizations that we support through Benevolence giving throughout the year.)*

**To my church family...** Thank you for thinking of me and praying for me as I graduate from High School. I also appreciate the gifts that I received. Please continue to pray for me during my college years.  
Love, Brianna Muffley.

**We would like to thank everyone** for their wonderful support of Abigail and donating to the Eastern Pennsylvania Down Syndrome Center in support of team Abigail's Adventure! The EPDSC has been a great resource for us over the years and we have attended events they offer. Many thanks! With love from, Abigail, Daniel and Kristine Troxell, and families.



*Christian sympathies go to:*

*Rev. Russell Campbell, his wife Denise, and family and friends on the death of Pastor Russ's brother Tom Campbell who entered into eternal rest on September 15, 2022.*





*Baptism Congratulations to:  
Rick and Erin Zelinski on the  
baptism of their Daughter,  
Reese Anna Zelinski, on  
Sunday, October 9, 2022.*



*Wedding Congratulations To:  
Mike Brubaker and Pam Hoppes  
who were married  
at Zion's Stone Church on  
Saturday, October 15, 2022.  
Pam is the Daughter of the late  
Darren and Tina Hoppes.*

*Wedding Congratulations To:  
George Hegedus IV and Aimee  
Hull who were married  
at Zion's Stone Church on Sunday,  
October 9, 2022.  
George is the Son of George  
and Susanne Hegedus.*



### **Outreach Committee Giving Tree**

Coming on Sunday, November 13  
We are reaching out to  
Mahoning Valley Nursing Home,  
St. Luke's Coaldale 5<sup>th</sup> floor and  
Hometown Nursing Home  
More to follow!

# **THURSDAY MORNINGS**

## **& THURSDAY NIGHTS**

w/The Rev. Russell Campbell



November 3, 2022  
November 10, 2022  
November 17, 2022  
November 24, 2022...Cancelled TGH

*Morning Bible Study starting at 10:00am  
Evening Bible Study will start at 6:45pm.*

*(will notify to cancel if inclement weather)*

*Bring your own Bible that you can write in!*



## **SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICES...**

One Saturday Worship Service for November  
November 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm with Holy Communion

**\*\*\*NOVEMBER 19<sup>th</sup> is CANCELED\*\*\***

Did you know! Saturday worship services are not recorded.  
They are not on YouTube or Facebook. It is a contemporary worship service  
in a relaxed atmosphere. Plenty of room for social distancing. Nov. 5 and  
Dec. 3 are the only communion Saturdays for remainder of 2022.  
If you haven't taken communion yet perhaps this would be for you.



Thank you to our Director of Music  
Erin Zelinski  
for sharing her musical talents  
with us during worship!



**6:15 pm Thursdays**

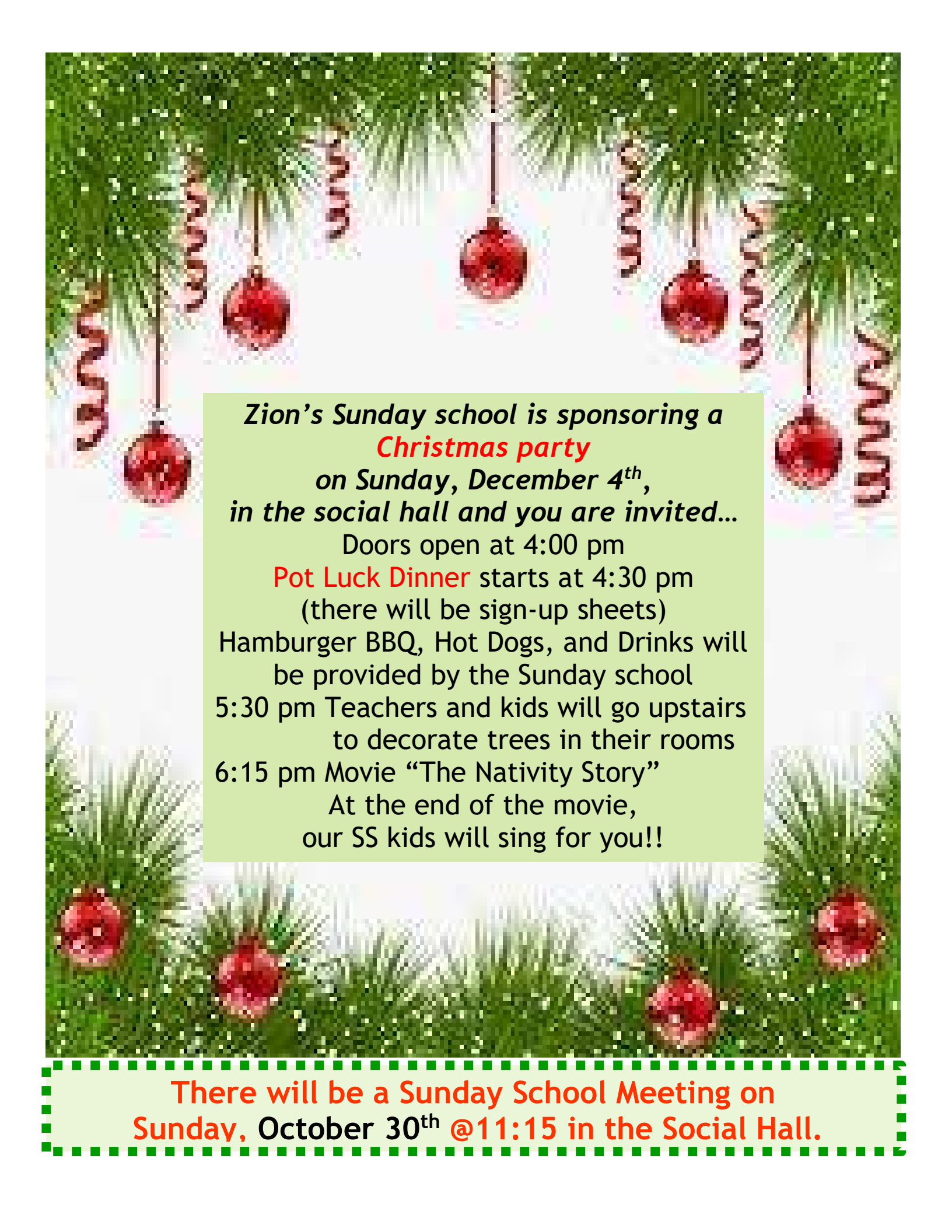


**6:45pm Thursdays**



## **POTLUCK DINNER**

Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> to Celebrate "25 Years"  
since Pastor Russ's Ordination  
12:00pm in the Social Hall  
Board will supply beverages and dessert.  
Bring your favorite covered dish to share with everyone.



*Zion's Sunday school is sponsoring a  
**Christmas party**  
on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>,  
in the social hall and you are invited...*

Doors open at 4:00 pm

**Pot Luck Dinner** starts at 4:30 pm  
(there will be sign-up sheets)

Hamburger BBQ, Hot Dogs, and Drinks will  
be provided by the Sunday school

5:30 pm Teachers and kids will go upstairs  
to decorate trees in their rooms

6:15 pm Movie "The Nativity Story"

At the end of the movie,  
our SS kids will sing for you!!

**There will be a Sunday School Meeting on  
Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> @11:15 in the Social Hall.**



October 9, 2022

## Youth Group Meeting Notes

### Members Present:

Bradyn Brothers, Madison Schock, Tyler Buchman, Madelyn Miller

### Advisors Present:

Charlotte Fritz, Darryl Fritz, Karen Wood

Karen did the secretary's report.

Charlotte did the treasurer's report.

### Old Business

- The Bingo was on October 2nd. Thank you to everyone that came out to help!
- The Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat will be held on October 15th from 1-4 at the park. There will be food and games. If you are coming to help, please come for 12.
- The Pork & Sauerkraut dinner will be on November 19th from 3-7 p.m. We will need help to work it. Please come at 11 a.m. if you are going to help.
- Horses and Horizons Therapeutic Learning Center is having a Virtual Walk and are asking for donations. We will be donating \$150 to the cause.

### New Business

- There will be no gift card fundraiser this year.
- We are thinking of having a Youth Group Christmas Party. It will have a pizza party and caroling. We are between December 4th, 11th, or 18th. We will start at 1 p.m.
- The Next Youth Group Meeting will be on November 13th at 7.m.
  - Tyler will bring a Show and Tell for this meeting.

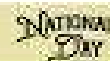


the *power* of  
a simple *gift*

Tis' the Season for giving! We are back in full swing with our Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry. Please consider packing a shoebox for a child. Boxes can be filled with school supplies, clothing, hygiene items, toys, and your prayers for the child! Please no liquids, seeds, candy, or war type items. If paying the shipping fee by check, please make the check to Zion's Sunday School for \$10. If you or a loved one is packing the box and are also a member of one of our Sunday School classes, please just place a note in the box. The Sunday School is picking up the cost of shipping for you. **All boxes are due back to the church by Nov 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please help to make a difference in the life of a child! God Bless! Thanks, Karissa



October is... **Down Syndrome Awareness Month**  
www.NationalDayCalendar.com



*Love doesn't count chromosomes!*

*Thank you for your generous donations to our special offering in October! Because of your support of "Abigail's Adventures Team", we were able to give a check in the amount of \$675.00 to the Eastern PA Down Syndrome Center! Zion's Stone Church Sunday School*

# Zion's Stone Church of West Penn Township

45 Cemetery Road, New Ringgold

Located 1/2 mile off Route 309, 1 mile north of E-Z Market



## Our Menu Includes:

- Pork
- Homemade Sauerkraut
- REAL Mashed Potatoes
- Hot Dogs
- Home Grown Corn
- Applesauce
- Bread, Apple Butter
- Dessert
- Tea/Water/Coffee

**Saturday, November 19**  
**3:00 – 7:00pm**

**Adults (13+): \$10.00**  
**Ages 4-12: \$5.00**  
**Under 4: Free**



Tickets can be pre-ordered, or purchased at the door.

Proceeds will benefit Zion's fundraising account.

For tickets or more information:

Contact Dwane at: **570-386-4492** or email **dwane.miller@gmail.com**

*Signup sheets and volunteer schedule to follow!*



**ZION'S STONE CHURCH  
YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER 2022  
POINSETTIA ORDER FORM**



*In HONOR of:*

1)

2)

3)

**Name of Sponsor(s):**

*In MEMORY of:*

1)

2)

3)

**Name of Sponsor(s):**

**Deadline to order Poinsettias is Sunday, December 4, 2022.**

**Cost per Plant is \$9.00.** Money must accompany the order.

Make checks payable to: **Youth Together, Youth Forever**

Indicate Color & Number of Plants (Doesn't guarantee Color)

**Total # of** Red \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_ Marble \_\_\_\_\_ (Pink & White Combined)

Please place order forms in the offering plate or give to Charlotte Fritz.

**For Mail in orders...**

In order for us to receive your order on time, please mail in your order **no later** than **Nov. 25, 2022.**

Please mail them to Zion's Stone Church, 45 Cemetery Road, New Ringgold, PA 17960

Total # of Plants: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark the envelop as: Youth Group Poinsettia Order**

**Thank You for your orders!**

# White Gift Sunday, December 11, 2022

*This year we will once again be accepting gift cards to donate to Bethany Children's Home. Deadline to receive gift cards is Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. You can place Your gift cards in the Christmas Gift bag located in the Narthex starting on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.*



## Bethany Children's Home

**TJ Maxx  
Ross  
Ulta Beauty  
Amazon  
Barnes/Noble  
Dicks Sporting  
Lowes  
Home Depot**

**Michael's  
Wal-Mart  
Target  
McDonald's  
Kohl's  
Boyer's  
Redner's Market  
Turkey Hill**

**Sheetz  
WaWa  
Domino's Pizza  
Foot Locker**





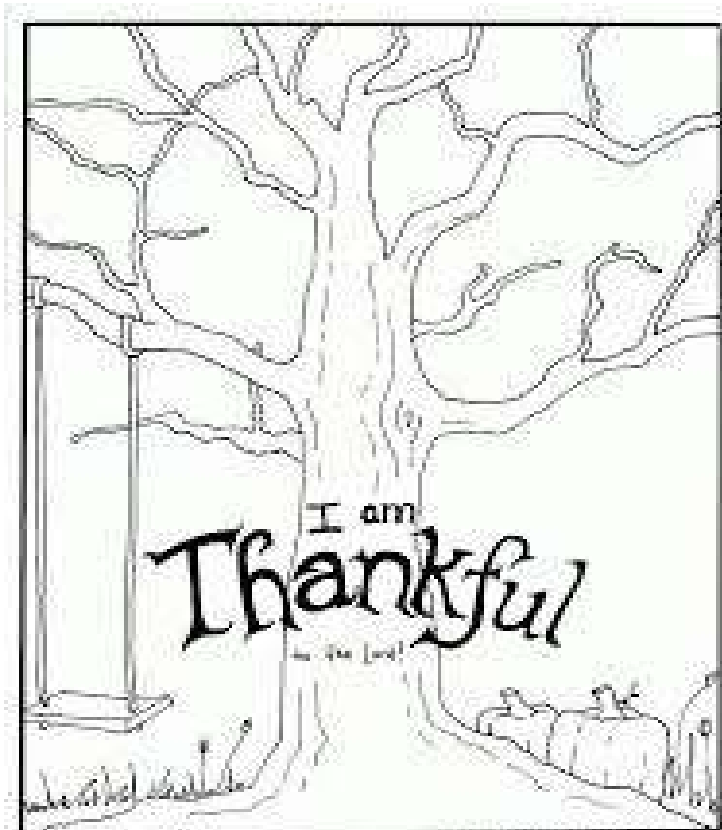
Please remember. The bylaws of Zion's Stone Church require that to be an active member you must take communion at least one time during the calendar year and give an offering at least once. As we are nearing the end of the calendar year here are some dates to remember. Communion is offered on the first Sunday of each month at the Altar. We will have communion Sunday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> (the first Sunday in Advent) at the altar. Also Sunday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, and Christmas Eve Saturday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm and 7:00pm altar communion in sanctuary.

Usual Saturday communion is not recorded to facebook or youtube. Saturday worship is held in the social hall in a relaxed atmosphere, a contemporary worship service, with plenty of room for social distancing. Saturday communion will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> and Saturday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> **only** for the remainder of the year in the social hall. These policies do not apply to shut ins. Pastor does visitation for those individuals. If you live out of the area just send or email a copy of your communion card from your place of worship. At least once per year, communion and a donation for active membership. Thank you!



The Food Pantry in McKeansburg is asking for donations of Carnation Evaporated Milk and Canned Pumpkin to help fill the bags of food. Please drop your donations in the basket at Narthex entrance by Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Food is being distributed on Saturday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for donating.

# ZION'S COLORING CORNER



Happy Fall!



# How to watch the Facebook live without having an account.

1. Open your preferred web browser.
2. Search for Zion's Stone Church of West Penn Township.
3. Scroll down until you see one with a Facebook link. Select that one.
4. Scroll down until you see the post for the Facebook live video. It will be below the church concerns post.



5. Select the live video post and enjoy. Don't forget to leave a comment so you can be counted for attending. (For communion though you must be in church on a Sunday or Saturday when offered) or a Pastoral visit.





Penn Northeast Conference UCC, 431 Delaware Ave., Palmerton, PA 18071

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Conference Minister, Rev. Dr. Bonnie Bates [bonnieb@pnec.org](mailto:bonnieb@pnec.org)

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## Bonnie's Letter

Friends,

I write a lot about covenant in these letters to you. The expectation of our congregations and authorized ministers is that we, as conference volunteers and staff, will be in covenant with them. I think it is important to recognize that covenant is about mutuality in our expectations and relationships.

Jesus prayed in John 17 "that they may all be one" and the United Church of Christ has taken that to be our motto and foundational scripture. What does it mean to be one? How are we one? Why are we one? What behaviors demonstrate we are one?

As I meet with congregations and ministers, I remind us that the United Church of Christ is a "big tent" where differences of opinions, theological interpretations, social justice perspectives, and beliefs are welcome. I believe that with my whole heart. And I believe that we each and all have a responsibility to act in partnership within that "big tent." To me that means the conference provides mission support, programming and education support, and leadership. It also means that my role as conference minister is to care about each and every one of our congregations and our ministers. It means, too, that our congregations and ministers have their own responsibilities to move into and maintain relationships with one another, and with the conference staff and volunteers.

Yesterday we held our Ministry Day event with participation from 47 of our 200+ ministers. The topic was relevant to us all: hybrid ministry. Those in attendance affirmed the importance and effectiveness of the educational experience. The program was wonderful. Worship was meaningful. Attendance was disappointing, given that pre-COVID pandemic attendance was twice what it was yesterday.

Our current registrations for the upcoming WISE for Mental Health Conference is similarly small. Our current registration for the Fall Conference Meeting isn't even at 30 yet and we need at least 100 voting members to have a quorum. Attendance for the meeting has routinely been about 150. There are 3 registrations for our December 3 Lay Worship Leadership Training, something asked for by several congregations without ministerial leadership.

Why am I talking about this now, in October? Well, I am disappointed.

Our teams and committees are working hard to meet the needs of congregations and ministers and we diligently offer programs of education based on important topics and areas of interest. We strive to assure that educational opportunities address the continuing education policies the Committee on Ministry has established. Where is the partnership and covenant among our congregations and ministers? Where are the participants? What else do we need to do?

This letter is turning out to be a little negative and that wasn't my intent. My intent was to remind us that we are in this together, that covenant is mutual and that we each have responsibilities in maintaining and growing our relationships with each other. I hope I have done that.

In the meantime, please register for upcoming events. Use scholarships if needed. Get your delegates registered for the Fall Conference meeting. Be in partnership with the many ministry teams and committee who are providing the best they can for each of us. We are in covenant and ministry together. Let us move into our calling, that all may be one. Blessings, Bonnie

# SYNOD NEWS

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD, ELCA

## What's happening with Growing Young?

*Growing Young is an initiative lived out in the NEPSynod, congregations, and individuals' ministry. Growing Young was our synod assembly theme in 2021, but it is not a once-and-done theme. Growing Young is something we strive to accomplish together, continually.*

Congregations throughout our synod have been diving deep into the journey of Growing Young. Some are just beginning and exploring the concept whereas others are already incorporating it within their congregation and even helping beginners to gain the whole Growing Young experience. In case you are new to Growing Young, Growing Young is a movement in the NEPA Synod and throughout the greater ELCA and is based on a book of the same name. The book studied churches of all sizes, denominations, and locations throughout the country that are maintaining and engaging youth and young adults in their congregations. What does Growing Young really look like though?

Growing Young will look different for every congregation and the journey to get there will not be the same. Devoting time and commitment to the 6 core characteristics is the only way for your congregation to work towards a Growing Young outcome. These commitments orbit around a Jesus-centered community and help us truly become the church. Now is the time to pass down leadership and pastoral roles to those eager to assist and prioritize youth & young families everywhere. Now is the time to focus on warm relationships and empathize with today's youth. Now is the time to be the best neighbor and share Jesus' message seriously.

Is your congregation ready to Grow Young? Resources are available to help guide your community to the Growing Young mindset. For more information, visit [godslove.org/growingyoung](https://godslove.org/growingyoung) or by reaching out to the Growing Young coordinator, Stacey Burke at [stacey@nepsynod.org](mailto:stacey@nepsynod.org) or at 610-266-5101 ext. 10.

## Let's Grow Young together!



# November Birthdays



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<sup>1</sup> Livia Miller  Scott Sassaman	<sup>2</sup> Kirk Arner  Kendall Earle	<sup>3</sup> Jeannine Miller  Emersyn Pistone	<sup>4</sup> Todd Tyson Jr	<sup>5</sup> Wyatt Earle
<sup>6</sup> Alan C. Steigerwalt	<sup>7</sup> Kaleigh & Kyle Rabenold  Eugene Schaeffer  Kitty Ann Stival	<sup>8</sup> Nancy Lechleitner	<sup>9</sup>	<sup>10</sup>	<sup>11</sup>	<sup>12</sup> Phyllis Greene
<sup>13</sup> Jayda Moyer	<sup>14</sup> James Ayrton  Ariel & Shelby Frederickson  Madeline Ruch	<sup>15</sup>	<sup>16</sup> Drake Miller	<sup>17</sup> Terrance Osenbach  Trenton Schlecht	<sup>18</sup> Loretta Rudelitch  Erin Zelinski	<sup>19</sup> Robert Miller III
<sup>20</sup> Donald Mikruk Jr	<sup>21</sup> Lillian Huegel	<sup>22</sup> Kyle Patrick  Tyler Schlecht	<sup>23</sup>	<sup>24</sup> Carol Schaeffer	<sup>25</sup> Sophia Ayrton	<sup>26</sup>
<sup>27</sup> Caitlyn Pilla	<sup>28</sup> Lucinda Tuckett  Linda Tyson	<sup>29</sup> Kimberly Ayrton  Linnea Meiser	<sup>30</sup> Greg Sheeler  Seraphina Steigerwalt  Jennifer Stevens  Makenna Storch			

# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <b>Office Closed</b>	2	3 <b>10am/6:45pm Bible Study</b>  <b>6:15pm Bells</b> <b>6:45pm Choir</b>	4	5 <b>5:00 pm Worship w/Holy Communion</b>
6 <b>9:00am Worship</b> <b>10:15am SS</b> <b>11:15am Conf.</b> <b>12:00 Pastor Russ Pot Luck</b>	7	8 	9 <b>7:00pm Board Meeting</b>	10 <b>10am/6:45pm Bible Study</b>  <b>6:15pm Bells</b> <b>6:45pm Choir</b>	11 	12 <b>McKeansburg Food Pantry</b> 
13 <b>9:00am Worship</b> <b>10:15am SS</b> <b>11:15am Conf. Class</b> <b>Yth Grp Mtg 7:00pm</b>	14	15	16	17 <b>10am/6:45pm Bible Study</b>  <b>6:15pm Bells</b> <b>6:45pm Choir</b>	18	19 <b>Pork &amp; Sauerkauf Dinner 3pm-7pm</b>  <b>No Sat. Service</b>
20 <b>9:00am Worship</b> <b>10:15am SS</b> <b>No Confirmation Class</b>	21 <b>5:30pm Decorate Sanctuary for Christmas</b>	22	23 <b>7:00pm Combined TG Eve Service at St. Peter's Mantzville</b>	24 	25	26
27 <b>9:00am Worship w/HC Advent Begins</b> <b>10:15am SS</b> <b>11:15am Conf. Class</b>	28	29	30			