



# Zion Lutheran Monthly

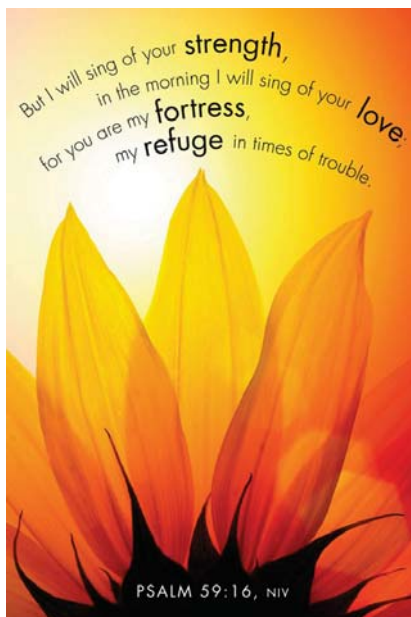
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## The Call of the Wild!

A recent study by Dr. Philip G. Zimbardo and Nikita Duncan came to the conclusion that the increasing availability and use of pornography and video games are: "creating a generation of risk-averse guys who are unable (and unwilling) to navigate the complexities and risks inherent to real-life relationships, school and employment." Without getting into the details of the study, it found that games triggered the same pleasure receptors in the brain as pornography... and prove to be just as addictive and destructive.

Summer is here. Long days, warm nights and all the time in the world are waiting on your doorstep. It might be tempting to spend a good chunk of summer vacation in front of a screen and having your pleasure receptors triggered with a minimal amount of effort. But that takes no skill. It takes no virtue. And it certainly takes no effort.



God's first command to Adam and Eve was to be fruitful and "fill the earth." In fact, this is the most repeated command in Genesis. It could very well be that the reason God did what he did to the city and tower of Babel in Genesis 11 was because people decided to "make a name for themselves" instead of going out into the great wide open.

This summer, I encourage you to take a break from the internet. Spend time away from the TV. Unplug from the electronic things you "need" today, but didn't exist five years ago. Talk instead of text. Visit instead of message. Play instead of "game." God made this amazing, complex, diverse, sometimes hostile but always rewarding world for you; enjoy it!

In Christ,  
Pastor Duncan

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## Church, Mission & Synod (CMS) & Plate Finances



|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| April <b>Income</b>   | \$47,583.00        |
| April <b>Expenses</b> | <u>\$31,504.00</u> |
| Favorable to Income   | \$16,079.00        |

## BUDGET REPORT

The monthly financial picture continues to be positive. As of May 31, 2012, we are estimating \$17,829.00 cash on hand. All bills through May have been paid. Continue to pray for Zion that we are able to grow our community outreach ministry and support local charities and Christian education for youth and adults. May God guide us in using these gifts and our talents to spread the Good News!

Just a reminder that Sunday, June 24 is the 2012/2013 budget review and approval meeting.

- Bob Schmidt, Chairman

### Office Administrator - Opening

If you or if you know anyone that would be interested in applying for the part-time Office Administrator position, please send an electronic resume to Pastor at [pastor@zlcb.org](mailto:pastor@zlcb.org) and Bob Schmidt at [bobschmidt47@gmail.com](mailto:bobschmidt47@gmail.com).

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## THANK YOU from the Bridgeville Area Food Bank

To the Members of Zion Lutheran Church:

The volunteers and recipients of Bridgeville Area Food Bank thank you for the \$739.65 donation from the Good Friday services. We truly appreciate your generous contribution & support.



Foodbank  
Outreach

The Bridgeville Area Food Bank is an all volunteer mission serving the needy families in our area, operating through donations and food drives. We assisted 150 families in December - which was an increase from last year. We could not help our less fortunate neighbors without the donations and support of individuals, churches and businesses in our local communities.

May God bless you.

"FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME SOMETHING TO EAT"

Rita B. Rozell  
Treasurer

-MATTHEW 25:35

Did you know that Zion is collecting **Box Tops for Education** to support Redeemer Lutheran School, the Pittsburgh area's first K through 12 Lutheran school?



Redeemer Lutheran School in Oakmont (a ministry of Redeemer Lutheran Church – LCMS), which until last year included only elementary and middle grades, purchased a former Penn Hills School District building in 2011 in order to expand their classes through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. They now have a beautiful facility in which to house students, and a staff dedicated to serving the community through excellence in education from a distinctly Lutheran perspective.

*So what are **Box Tops for Education**? ... How can they be used to support Redeemer Lutheran School? ... And, what about collecting Box Tops for Zion's Pre-school programs???*

We all shop for groceries, sometimes two or three times a week – or more. You can turn those shopping trips into easy cash for Redeemer School! Just look for the Box Tops logo on hundreds of products like Cheerios<sup>®</sup>, Hamburger Helper<sup>®</sup> and Kleenex<sup>®</sup>, in almost every aisle of the store. All you need to do is clip the small Box Top emblem from the packaging, and place them in the plastic container located on the specially marked table in the church fellowship hall. We will periodically send the collected box tops to Redeemer's Box Tops coordinator — each one is worth 10¢ for Redeemer to purchase items needed at the school, or to help lower-income families with tuition!

Unfortunately, Box Tops for Education are not able to be used in support of preschool programs such as Zion's . . . they may only be used for Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade school programs.

We recently sent our first batch of approximately 300 Box Tops collected by Zion's Sunday School to Redeemer. We received the following letter in response from Redeemer's School Administrator, Mrs. Gail Holzer:

*Dear Members of Zion:*

*Thank you very much for cutting and collecting the Box Tops for Education. Last year, with the help of our sister congregations, we collected nearly **\$2,000** for our scholarship fund with this program. It is such an easy way for us to get support for our students.*

*We truly appreciate your partnership. It is a great privilege to serve the Kingdom in this manner, and we can't do it alone. You are a blessing to this school ministry.*

*Thank you!*

*In Christ,  
Gail Holzer*





## Meet Our Confirmands

Joshua Gielarowski  
Ryan Harris  
Leif Luedeman



Three young men were welcomed into our congregation through the rite of confirmation on Sunday, May 6th.

## Baptized in the Triune God



Londyn Irene Luedmen, born on February 6, 2012, was welcomed into our congregation through a recognition of infant baptism on Sunday, May 6th.



I would like to thank Pastor Duncan and my church family for all the support and prayers during my illness.

It was so wonderful to know I have so much support and love while I am going through this difficult time.

Please continue to pray for me that I soon will be cancer-free.

Your Friend In Christ  
Janet Hickey

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|----|--------------------------|------|
| 11 | Vickie & Rick Buzzelli   | 1988 |
| 11 | Richard & Ruth Trudel    | 1966 |
| 16 | Curt & Catherine Watters | 2001 |
| 18 | Bob & Bernice DeBoe      | 1955 |
| 19 | Ken & Carolyn Wuerthele  | 1971 |
| 21 | Eric & Kylene Rose       | 2008 |
| 23 | Steve & Lori Gauger      | 2001 |
| 23 | Brent & Marianne Miller  | 1989 |





# Service Participants

# JUNE

| Greeters & Acolytes |          |                       |                     |
|---------------------|----------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| DATE                | TIME     | GREETERS              | ACOLYTES            |
| June 3              | 8:00 am  | Joyce Wood            | Anthony Vallelunga  |
|                     | 10:30 am | Vogel Family          | Mitchell Fitzgerald |
| June 10             | 8:00 am  | Wayne & Kathleen Conn | Missy Radovich      |
|                     | 10:30 am | Ken & Carol Wuerthele | Sydney Harris       |
| June 17             | 8:00 am  | Carl & Karen Bauer    | Grant Geregach      |
|                     | 10:30 am | Clara Hayes           | Josiah Ackerman     |
| June 24             | 9:00 am  | Lois Sauro            | Joshua Gielarowski  |
| July 1              | 9:00 am  | Bill & Melanie Becker | Jennifer Fitzgerald |
| July 8              | 9:00 am  | Sam Dragan            | Ryan Harris         |

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| <b>ELDERS</b>                                    | Mike Sterba & Robert Oelschlager                              |
| <b>ALTAR GUILD</b>                               | Elsie DallaPiazza, Bernice DeBoe, & Mary Hutula               |
| <b>USHERS @ 8:00 am</b>                          | Kathleen Conn, Bill Schrag, Janet & Larry Zreliak             |
| <b>USHERS @ 10:30 am &amp; 9:00 am June 24th</b> | Neil Ackerman, Chuck LaJeunesse, Brian Pasquini, & Lois Sauro |

# JULY

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|-------------------------|--|
| <b>ELDERS</b>           | Paul Klemash & Jay Anderson                                |
| <b>ALTAR GUILD</b>      | Clary Hayes & Mary Hutula                                  |
| <b>USHERS @ 9:00 am</b> | Joe Gielarowski, Rachel Klemash, Steve Kovach, Andy Weldon |

If you are unable to participate on the assigned date, please find your own substitute and notify the church office (412) 221-4776 or secretary@zlc.org of the change.

- 2 Elsie DallaPiazza
- 2 Carrie Lemonovich
- 3 Janet Walleck
- 5 Jean Endler
- 6 James Oelschlager
- 6 Blanche Sheldon
- 6 Hailey Smidt

- 7 Joshua Gielarowski
- 7 Dolores Preaux
- 8 Janet Oelschlager
- 11 Kylene Rose
- 15 Andrea Vogel
- 15 Janet Zreliak
- 20 Victor Herschaft

# JUNE



Happy Birthday!

- 21 Phyllis Hartman
- 22 Nathan Smidt
- 23 Barbara Gall
- 24 Stephen Kovach
- 24 Claire Lemonovich
- 24 Elizabeth Lemonovich
- 24 John Q Lemonovich
- 24 Kate Lemonovich

- 25 Sarah Ali
- 25 Megan Richards
- 26 Nadene Hartman
- 26 James Lynch
- 27 Lois Dittmer
- 28 Kim Erbrecht
- 29 Gladys Cimarolli

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throughout the month.

**The Rev. Duncan McLellan**

# Youth News



**Youth  
Ministry**

## SUMMIT

Our Summer Mission Trip is rapidly approaching!

I will need to know by the 24<sup>th</sup> of June if you are going on the trip.

If you'd like more information, or would like to reserve your spot, contact the church office, call my cell or e-mail me.

\$100 deposits for the trip will be due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of July.

Hope you can make the trip; it's going to be great!

-Pastor Duncan



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## FOOD BANK

Collection for this month's Bridgeville Area Food Bank is **Sunday, June 10th**. The "item of the month" is paper products. You are also welcome to help at the Food Bank every third Saturday of the month between 7:45 and 12:00 at Bethany Presbyterian Church.

There is a **mandatory meeting** for all **VBS volunteers** on Monday, June 4th. 6:30pm for crew leaders and crew helpers. 7:15pm for station leaders and station helpers.

## VBS

## BODY & SOUL

## BOOTCAMP!

Women of Zion!!! Join Alissa for a "**bootcamp**" **workout experience** Sunday evenings this summer at 7:00 PM. We will be doing a 55 minute workout and a 5 minute devotion. We will meet at the pavilion behind the church. If it's raining we will meet at Tribe Fitness (Contact Alissa). Bring a water-bottle and wear your running shoes. Feel free to bring your friends! Questions??? Contact Alissa McLellan @ 412-295-5452 .



July 29- August 4<sup>th</sup> here in Pittsburgh, Stephen Ministry will be providing Stephen Leader training. Stephen Ministry is a Christ-centered ministry of providing care for people who are going through hard times. We are excited to begin Stephen Ministry here at Zion; lives will be changed and saved as Christ comforts his people through the love and care of others. If you want to know more, please contact Pastor Duncan or the Church Office.

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

## LEADER TRAINING