

Zion Lutheran Church



*Reformation
October 30th 2016*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by the Gauger Family in memory of Lori's mom Jean Populo and the Klemash Family in memory of loved ones.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Rose Steranko in memory of parents Mamie & Harry Oelschalger.
- **BELL CHOIR:** We are getting closer and closer to buying our own set of hand bells! That being said, we still have a long way to go. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this area of our music ministry. Mark your calendars, we will have a "Reformation Concert" October 30th to benefit the hand bell choir. Stay tuned for more details about this event next month!
- **VOTER'S MEETING:** A meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held starting at 9:30 am today Sunday October 30th. The main item of business is approving the 2017 slate of officers for Zion Lutheran Bridgeville. Please plan to attend this important meeting between services.
- **TRUSTEE WORK DAY:** Mark your calendars for our fall Trustee Work Day coming Sunday, November 13th! A pizza lunch will be provided after the late service before we start work. We will be doing leaf clean up, trimming, and general gardening to prepare for winter.
- **PRAYER OUTSIDE PLANNED PARENTHOOD** On November 12th, we will be gathering to pray and offer assistance outside the abortion clinic in Pittsburgh. The event will begin at church with breakfast at 9 and end with lunch at 1. If this is your first time, there will be an opportunity to leave earlier. Contact Vicar Joshua at vicar@zlc.org for more information. It's safe, legal, and important.
- **MEN'S HANGOUT DAY:** Well, we were unable to get enough people together to go to Camp Pioneer. We'll try again in the spring. But since at least 8 of us have Saturday the 5th open, we will be having a hangout day at the parsonage. We'll start with Men's Breakfast in the morning and we'll spend the day eating, drinking, shooting potato canons, watching football, and talking about Jesus. Contact Vicar Joshua for more information at vicar@zlc.org
- **OPEN PRESCHOOL POSITION:** The Preschool is looking for a teacher's aide on Monday and Wednesday's from 8:45-11:30am. If you are interested, please contact Tracey Harris at tharris@zlc.org, (412) 638-8735, or see her in church.
- **2016 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** "*S is for Savior*" coming SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1 PM in the Sanctuary. A pizza/subs/salad/dessert lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall immediately following second service and prior to the program. **SAVE THE DATE:** Come see and encourage our future generation of LCMS!
- **SPOTLIGHT MINISTRY...** Following the presentation of 21 ministry groups at Zion's 1st Annual MINISTRY FAIR recently on Sept. 11th, each ministry will now be spotlighted for a few Sundays to further familiarize all with WHAT'S HAPPENING at Zion! This week in the spotlight is the BOARD OF TRUSTEES overseen by John Lemonovich. Please check out the display in the rear corner of the Sanctuary & see if the Holy Spirit leads you to be a part of that ministry!
- **STEPHEN MINISTRY** is looking forward to resuming again in the fall, providing Christ-centered care for people going through hard times. Want to be a Stephen Ministry or be trained as a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader? Contact Kristin Neill.
- **WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.
- **BIBLE IN A YEAR** readings are available on our church's website and in your monthly Zion Newsletter. Join us as we read the Bible in a Year in 2016!
- **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)
- **NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.
- **TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlc.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

Our welcome to worship this morning will mostly come from Martin Luther himself. We aren't going to go into much of the history of the protestant reformation this morning. There are some great books that I can recommend if you want to know more about that. Rather, we are going to cover the central issue that lay at the heart of the Reformation, the gospel of Jesus Christ. There are two ways of trying to save sinners. One "gospel", which is no gospel at all, says that the righteousness of God is something we attain by the way we live. The true gospel that frees condemned sinners and gives peace to terrified consciences describes a "Great Exchange". On the cross, Jesus takes all of your sin, wretchedness, and filth, and by grace through faith he gives you his own righteousness which puts you at peace with God. I pray that you appreciate this good news as we worship this morning and I hope you enjoy Luther's thoughts on the same topic.

"Who then can fully appreciate what this royal marriage means? Who can understand the riches of the glory of this grace? Here this rich and divine bridegroom Christ marries this poor, wicked harlot, redeems her from all her evil, and adorns her with all his goodness. Her sins cannot now destroy her, since they are laid upon Christ and swallowed up by him. And she has that righteousness in Christ, her husband, of which she may boast as of her own and which she can confidently display alongside her sins in the face of death and hell and say, "If I have sinned, yet my Christ, in whom I believe, has not sinned, and all his is mine and all mine is his..." (Luther, "The Freedom of a Christian," 287)

-Vicar Joshua

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ZION EQUIPS, EDUCATES, AND ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS IN CHRIST. SENDING THEM INTO THE WORLD TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.

Zion Lutheran Church 3197 Washington Pike Bridgeville, PA 15017

The Service of the Word

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books, located at either end of the pew. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Prelude

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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The Invocation

Vicar: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

Vicar: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Vicar: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Declaration of Grace by the Vicar

Kyrie

V In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

V For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

V Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn of Praise- We Praise You and Acknowledge You- LSB 941

Salutation and Collect of the Day

V The Lord be with you

C And also with you

V Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in time of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant Your church Your saving peace. through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

The Sharing of the Peace

V The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

First Reading:

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Selah

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah

Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

Hymn: O Little Flock Fear Not the Foe

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Second Reading:

Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be

received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Alleluia and Verse (please stand)

Alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia

Vicar: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17th Chapter.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: **John 17:20-26**

“I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me,

may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Vicar: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word 655

Sermon

(Please stand)

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

***Offertory – Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray (Adult Choir 8:00 am)
Built on the Rock (Children’s Choir 10:30 am)***

Prayer of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

V Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,**

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Benedicamus

V: Let us bless the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Benediction

V The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

C **Amen.**

The Recessional: Thy Strong Word

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Postlude

† *Service Participants* †

Vicar:	Joshua Ulm
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Doug Krantz
The Elders:	Mike Sterba, Bill Bishop
The Acolyte:	Matt Liberatore (8:00) Carley Rockovich (10:30)
The Greeters:	Clara Hayes (8:00) Carolyn Wible (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker (8:00) Mike Kozak & Ed Malachosky Sam Dragan, Loren Luedeman (10:30) Kari & John Gresh
Altar Guild:	Marianne Miller, Millie Thielet & Judy Meier
Nursery:	Megan Meyer & Brittany Dill

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Offering (10/23) – \$4,728.00
Online Offering (10/17-10/21) - \$550.00
Hand bell Contribution – \$40.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of Oct.30th - Nov. 6th

SUNDAY 10/30	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir 1:00 PM – Reformation Concert
MONDAY 10/31	
TUESDAY 11/1	7:00 PM – Choir Practice 7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting
WEDNESDAY 11/2	7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching & Small Group Bible Study (Psalms Study)
THURSDAY 11/3	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:15 AM – Women’s Bible Study 7:30 PM – Elders Meeting
FRIDAY 11/4	
SATURDAY 11/5	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast 10:00 AM – Men’s Choir Practice
SUNDAY 11/6	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 AM – Board of Education



Upcoming Music Concert Event!

Everyone is invited to attend a Concert to Celebrate the 499th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

- *A Concert to Celebrate the 499th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation*
- *Sunday, October 30, 2016, 1:00 pm*
- *All are invited to wear Red!*
- *Zion Lutheran Church
3197 Washington Pike
Bridgeville, PA 15017*
- *Refreshments immediately following in the undercroft*
- *A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the Zion Handbell Fund*

*Assistant Organist Doug Krantz, Alto Mary Ulm, Pianist Shelley Killinger, as well as the adult and children's choirs under the direction of Mark Killinger, will perform a concert of **joyful** sacred music to celebrate the event. Mr. Krantz will also perform selections on the piano, accordion, and pennywhistle.*

Nomination List

Chairman

Robert Schmidt

- Completing the remaining 2 Years if Jay Andersons Term

Elders

John Gielarowski

- 2 Year Term

Paul Klemash

- 3 Year Term

Peter Fisher

- 3 Year Term

Mike Wallace

- 3 Year Term

Trustees

Paul Hayes Jr

- 1 Year Term

Jim Oelschlager

- 1 Year Term

John Gresh

- 3 Year Term

Dan Harris

- 3 Year Term

Ben Meyer

- 3 Year Term

Max Ma

- 3 Year Term

Hsiao Jean

- 3 Year Term

Board of Education

- Vacant



**Give the Gift of Life Community Blood Drive
Sponsored by Peace Lutheran Church**

Saturday, November 12, 2016

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

107 Carol Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

Please contact Carrie Lemonovich at 724-941-9441 or
at peacechurchsecretary@verizon.net to schedule an
appointment.

Appointments are strongly encouraged!

Appointments Recommended. Walk-ins welcome.

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is the one **NOT** on the shelf
when it's needed by a patient.

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