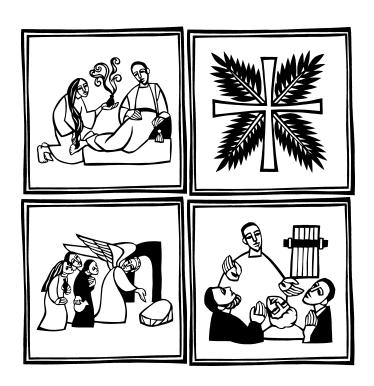
# THE HERALD APRIL 2022



Zion Lutheran Church zionyork.org (717) 767-4673



#### **Zion's Mission Statement**

"Reaching up, Reaching out, Reaching in, with faith and love."

#### **Services**

- Saturday 5:30 PM
- Sunday 8:00 AM
- Sunday 9:00 AM Faith Formation
  - Sunday 10:00 AM
- Sunday 8:45 AM Online (Facebook) ~ 10:30 AM Online (YouTube)
  - Monday 7:30 PM Online Prayer Service

#### Zion Lutheran Church

#### Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In, with Faith and Love

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#### Office Hours

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

**Closed Friday** 



"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us." 2 Corinthians 4:7

Dear Siblings in Christ,

The passage above most aptly describes our human condition- we are the earthen vessels and we hold within ourselves the very treasures and gifts of God. And like a clay pot, there will be times when we crack, chip, weather and decay. But the power of God remains, and God is at work reshaping and rebuilding us.

You may be wondering if I just called you a "crack pot"- in a way, yesbut please know that I called myself the same! We are flawed and imperfect people, sometimes because of our human nature, and sometimes because of the circumstances of life which wear on us and wear us out. But God is always working on us, and for the faithfulness of God we give thanks and praise.

We are called to participate in God's care for us. Don't get me wrong, it's God's work (but we get to participate). So I would invite and encourage you to take time to and opportunity to care for yourself. Take time to slow down, breathe, dream and wonder- all while God is reshaping you.

I am very grateful to all of you for gifting me with an upcoming time of sabbatical, from June 1 through mid-September. I will do my best to participate and cooperate with how God will work on me. As I make my plans to be away for this time of renewal, we are also making plans at Zion for pastoral coverage- worship leadership and pastoral care, among other things- during my time away. Please stay tuned as these details become finalized.

I write this during the Lenten season, drawing ever closer to the great mystery of our faith- that Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. God sends his Son to die for us so that we might live. During this holy season, may we proclaim the good news of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in all we say and do.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Janyce

# Sabbatical Update - Planning

As mentioned in Pastor Janyce's letter, planning for her sabbatical time and planning for Zion coverage during those month's is moving forward. We have found a Pastor to support Zion while Pastor Janyce is on sabbatical, Pastor Martha Boyd. Pastor Adam will be with us until early July as well. This will give Pastor Boyd some time to settle in with Pastor Adam's assistance. In case you haven't heard Pastor Adam is finishing up his Doctorate and then is moving to the UK where he has a 2 year fellowship. Wow, how exciting!

Pastor Boyd will have some other Pastors helping her out with preaching. We will let you know more as things develop about Pastor Boyd and others who will be filling in from time to time.

The Council is working with Pastor Janyce to have a solid plan in place for both Zion and Pastor Janyce so all goes smoothly during the sabbatical. If anyone has any questions, feel free to reach out to Pastor Janyce or a council member.

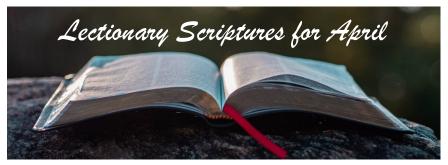


#### Follow us at

Facebook: ZionYork ~ Twitter: @zionyork
YouTube: ZionYork2215 ~ Instagram: zionyork2215

#### Check Online often for the Latest at Zion!





#### April 3, 2022

We are nearing the conclusion of Lent. This Sunday's gospel story is of Mary of Bethany who at the dinner table anointed Jesus' body, as if he were already dead. We gather together this Sunday, remembering the death of Christ, yet feasting on the life of his body in holy communion. Come: join Mary, Martha, Lazarus, Paul, John, and the rest of us at the feast.

#### Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Ps. 126:5) Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8

#### April 10, 2022

Oftentimes, to grasp the fullness of something significant, we have to look at both sides. So it is that to approach the meaning of Christ, we have to say two things: Jesus and Christ; human and divine; death and resurrection; bread and body. This Sunday celebrates these two sides: we begin by praising Christ with the song of the angels, and we go on to shout "Crucify him!" Come to join us as we fit both truths into one service.

#### Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5) Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14--23:56

#### April 17, 2022

What does it mean to be Christian? Christians are those who are enlivened by their faith that the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ can transform themselves and the world. Each Sunday we gather to praise the resurrection, but Easter is our annual blow-out celebration. This year we hear the gospel from Luke, we share the meal of the Lord, and we sing Alleluia over and over again.

#### Readings and Psalm

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12

#### April 24, 2022

This coming Sunday is often called "low Sunday" because in many churches attendance is so low. Yet also this Sunday we want to experience the risen Christ. Come and rejoice with Thomas. Now in one another we can touch the wounds of Christ.

#### Readings and Psalm

Acts 5:27-32 Psalm 118:14-29 You are my God, and I will exalt you. (Ps. 118:28) Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31



in honor and glory of our Risen Savior, our Lord, Jesus Christ.



It is the month of April and the youth calendar is as busy as you would think it would be. The youth will be very busy as we have both Club 456 and Jr/Sr High Youth on the 10th. We then follow up with the Jr/Sr High lock in on the 15th.

Confirmation youth that are attending Harrisburg Area Confirmation Camp this summer need to have their info sheets and their money to me by Easter Sunday, April 17th. Then, we have a group of 6th through 8th grade youth that will be attending Alive 2021 (not a typo) April 22nd through the 24th.

Information is also out there on our Facebook page about the Zion LC Egg Hunt on April 16th at 10am. Make sure you go to the FB page to register your kiddos for this fun time. Our Jr/Sr High youth put in the work during their March meeting by prepping bags full of plastic eggs to be filled by the amazing members of the Zion congregation. Thanks goes out to those that have filled and returned eggs to ensure that our youth and those from the surrounding area have a great time.

Through all the busy times that this month brings for a lot of us I hope you all find some time to reflect on the season of Lent and the sacrifice that Jesus makes for all of us. Have a blessed Lenten season and I want to wish all of you a very Happy

Easter! ~ Chuck

#### **NOTICE**

As announced last month, the 2022 National Youth Gathering (NYG) in Minneapolis has been cancelled. Our youth, however, do not want to lose the opportunity to assist those who are less fortunate. They have the opportunity to still go to Minneapolis on a Mission Trip this summer through Lutheran Hands. Council has approved using Funds designated for the 2022 NYG as well as proceeds from the fundraisers the youth held over the past three years for the 2022 NYG toward this Mission Trip. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a council member.





#### **ZYG 2021-2022 EVENT CALENDAR**

Club 456 is for youth in 4-6 grades
Jr High Youth Group for youth in 7-8 grades
Sr High Youth Group is for youth in 9-12 grades

#### APRIL

- Pre-Tip session for Mission Trip attendees 11:00 -12:15
- 10 Club 456 3:00 4:30pm
- 10 Jr/Sr High Youth Group 6:00 8:30pm
- 15 Jr/Sr High Lock-In 6pm Friday 9am Saturday
- 17 Confirmation Camp forms and money due to Chuck
- 22-24 Alive! 2021 (6th-8th grade retreat) @ Camp Nawakwa

#### MAY

- 1 Pre-Tip session for Mission Trip attendees 11:00 -12:15
- 15 Jr/Sr High Youth Group 6:00 8:30pm
- 22 Club 456 3:00 4:30pm

#### • JUNE

- Pre-Tip session for Mission Trip attendees 11:00 -12:15
- 19-25 Confirmation Camp

#### JULY

- Pre-Tip session for Mission Trip 11:00 -12:15
- 11-14 Vacation Bible School
- 23-4 Lutheran Hands
- Mission Trip in Minneap-
- olis, MN



# **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

#### **Easter Egg Hunt Donations**

We are looking for people to take a bag (or more) of plastic eggs and fill them up with Easter candy or other small goodies and return for Zion's annual easter egg hunt. Instructions are included in the bags. Help make a child's day!

#### Saturday, April 16th 10:00 AM

We would love for you to join us for our Egg Hunt. This is for children 0-10 years of age. Be sure to bring your own basket/bag to collect eggs. Please register for the egg hunt. You can find the link on our Facebook Page under the Easter Egg Event or call the office at (717) 767-4673. Registration allows us to properly prepare for the different ages so everyone has a good time!



#### **First Communion**

First Communion Classes will be held Sunday after 10AM service May 1, 8, &15 with First Communion on May 22nd at 10AM. Interested? Let Chuck know, email him at <a href="mailto:cbissell@zionyork.org">cbissell@zionyork.org</a>.



#### For Lent - Make Church A Habit Again!

Why Go to Church? Do I have to go to church in order to be a Christian? ~ We are not saved by anything we do. Jesus completed all the world of salvation by dying on the cross on Good Friday and rising again on Easter. We are saved by faith alone, which receives God's grace through the Word and Sacraments.



Ok, but I can read my Bible and pray at home. I can watch tv or internet and be enriched by Christian programming and websites. What else do I need? ~ It is true that Christians can and should pray and read their Bibles in their homes. There is good material that can be found (with a little searching) on the tv and the internet. However,

Instead, ask yourself these two questions: Should I go to church? And What does living like a Christian look like?

replacing corporate worship for individualistic spirituality alone is not Biblical.

Here are 5 quick reasons why it is beneficial

- **5.** At church, we speak the truth about our messed-up lives (Confession) and hear the words of forgiveness proclaimed. One of the charges sometimes levied against Christians is that of hypocrite. Our Lutheran church service (liturgy) addresses that charge head on. Our service begins with the words of confession: 'I am a poor, miserable sinner.' Confession reminds us not to think more of ourselves than we ought. Absolution reminds us not to think less of ourselves in Christ than we ought.
- **4.** A time to be together with our brothers and sisters in Christ. No man is an island. People need community. As the family of God, we rejoice with others, we mourn with others. Together, "we proclaim the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness and into His marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9) We need mutual consolation as we walk along the journey of life.
- **3.** The 3rd Commandment Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it. As we live our busy lives, we need a day of rest. A day to recharge and reorient ourselves.
- 2. Receive the Lord's Supper. It is a joy that we receive this medicine, the body and blood of Jesus for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. In John 6:53-54, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."
- 1. Jesus is here....Jesus is here. It should be our desire as Christians to be where Jesus is. In Matthew 18:16, Jesus said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I among them."

We don't have to go to church. But this is where Jesus has promised to be, giving the gifts of forgiveness and life. We get to be with Jesus! Church is a time to be blessed by God - The rest of the week we are called to be a blessing to others.



Our Art's Everywhere Classes worked on Self Portraits. They loved looking in the mirror and pointing out their different features!

Our friends loved getting visitors from the Fire Department during our Safety Month!





All smiles now that we can be back outside on the playground!





We are so excited to put winter behind us! With the weather warming up, the children can finally get outside for playtime!

Our March was jam packed with safety lessons. We enjoyed a visit from the Seeing Eye Puppies, and our local Firefighters!

Another highlight of the month was our Annual Daddy's Night! This year's theme was St. Patrick's Day, because it was held on March 17th. We had such a great time seeing our little Leprechauns have fun with their fathers.

We are looking forward to our Easter Celebrations this month! JNP will be closed from Thursday, April 14th through Monday, April 18th for our Easter Break.

Thank you all for your continued support and prayers for our wonderful preschool!



# April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue
Deadline to submit items for the May Herald is April 15.		
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<ul> <li>10 Palm Sunday</li> <li>Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>Worship Times Online     *Facebook-8:45am/YouTube-10:30 am</li> <li>Faith Formation- 9am</li> <li>A Curious Faith—Facebook 10 am</li> <li>Club 456 Youth Group-3pm</li> <li>Jr/Sr High Youth Group-6pm</li> </ul>	11 • LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm • Troop 150 –7pm	12 • Girl Scouts Troop 20018-6:30 to 8 pm
<ul> <li>17 Easter</li> <li>Sunrise Worship Service-6:30 am</li> <li>Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>Easter Breakfast—9 am</li> <li>Worship Times Online     *Facebook–8:45am/YouTube-10:30 am</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>18 Easter Monday Office closed</li> <li>LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> <li>Troop 150 –7pm</li> </ul>	19 • Council Meeting-7pm
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Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	7	8	2 • Worship- 5:30pm
<ul> <li>Movement &amp; Mediation 10am &amp; 7pm</li> <li>Lent Service -6:30pm</li> <li>4 Pages of the Sermon-7pm</li> <li>Girl Scouts-7pm</li> </ul>	• Worship – 11am	· ·	Palm Sunday Weekend  Worship- 5:30pm
13 • Girl Scouts-7pm	14 Maundy Thursday  • Worship – 11am and 6:30 pm  • Online Worship-6:30pm	15 Good Friday  Worship — 11am and 6:30 pm  Online Worship-6:30pm  Jr/Sr	16 Easter Weekend • Easter Egg Hunt-10 am • Worship- 5:30pm  Lock-in
<ul> <li>20</li> <li>Lunch Bunch 12noon</li> <li>4 Pages of the Sermon-7pm</li> <li>Girl Scouts-7pm</li> </ul>	21 • Worship – 11am	22 <b>←</b> Aliv	23 • Worship- 5:30pm
<ul> <li>4 Pages of the Sermon-7pm</li> <li>Girl Scouts-7pm</li> </ul>	28 • Worship – 11am	29	30 • Worship- 5:30pm



Lenten Services Wednesdays March 2—April 6 6:30 PM

Lenten Bible Study—4 Pages of the Sermon Wednesdays March 9—April 6 7:00 PM—8:00 PM

#### Letting Go - Movement and Meditation

Tina Keffer will lead us through a time of yoga and movement, inviting us to let go of what binds us, in order to embrace renewal and new life which is ours through Jesus Christ.

Wednesdays March 9, 23 & April 6 10:30 AM—11:15 AM

and

March 9, 16, 23, 30 & April 6 7:00PM (following worship)





#### April 9—Palm Sunday

5:30 PM Worship

#### April 10 - Palm Sunday

8:00 AM Worship

8:45 AM

Facebook Live Worship

10:00 AM Worship

10:30 AM

YouTube Live Worship

#### April 14 - Maundy Thursday

11:00 AM Worship Service

6:30 PM

Worship Service

6:30 PM

Online Service

#### April 15 - Good Friday

11:00 AM

Worship Service

6:30 PM

Worship Service

6:30 PM

Online Service

#### April 16 - Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 AM

#### April 16 - Easter

5:30 AM

#### April 17 - Easter

6:30 AM

Sunrise Service

8:00 AM

Worship

8:45 AM

Facebook Live Worship

9:00 AM

Easter Breakfast

10:00 AM

Worship

10:30 AM

YouTube Worship

#### Easter Breakfast

Council is hosting Easter Breakfast once again this year. Be sure to join us between 9-10AM on Easter morning for egg casseroles, fruit, muffins and beverages.



	Juga
1	Erica McCoy
	Owen Lutz
3	Matthew Kessler
	John Lambert
	Austin Seitzinger
	Darla Smith
	Jonathan Taylor
4	Daniel Hazelton
	Chris Schmidt
5	Nikolas DeLise
	Janis Glusco
	Trevor Hoffman
	Troy Smyser
	Noah Wise
7	Karyl Keller
8	April Leib
	Katy Newton
	Danaë Schanbacher
9	Scott Leister
	John Reutter
10	Josh Varone
	Kathryn Wingerd
11	Kennedy Hanna
12	Daphne Grim
	Erin Lambert
	Madisyn Ripley
	Kay Westerhold
14	Donna Sisto
	Bart Varone
15	Maxwell Barshinger
	Melissa Baylor
	Jamie Forry
	Kenneth Roser
16	Kristen Evans
	Cynthia Geiser
17	Mike Tymowczak

18	Kim Alloway
	Bennett Rowlands
19	Dusty Gardner
	Anthony Gartner
	Cecilia Glezer
20	Lisa Forry
	Dena Owings
21	Brian Bender
	Magdalena Reichard
	Molly Townsley
23	Liam Baylor
2.4	Justin Graham
24	Madyson Doerr
	Alexander Harris
	Dylan Rojahn Tonya Thomassy
25	Adam Strayer
26	Avery Hoffman
20	Mike Lundy
27	Bennett Katz
-,	Alexander Lambert
	Clinton H. Roderick
28	Lisa Gibson
	Mikala Kin
	Emma Smyser
	Skylar Volz
	Richard Young
29	Ryan Engleman
	Blake Lemelman
2.0	Mike Mummert
30	Dante Hanna
	Morris Hooper, Jr.
	Alan Little
	Eli Nadzom



- 3 Scott & Susan Penley
- 8 Melissa & Reed Mook
- 10 Jeremy & Kelly Harris Dave & Anmarie Hazelton
- 12 Donald & Carolyn Kern
- 15 John & Christine Reutter
- 16 Todd & Sandra Bush
- 19 Marlin & Janice Kindig
- 20 David & Gini Riese

- 22 James & Tiffany Galdfelter David & Kim Walker
- 24 Paul & Marci Hemmann
- 25 Kevin and Daphne Grim
- 27 Adam & Connie Ogle
- 28 Mike and Karen Mummert

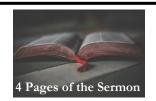
#### Advent Challenge in Lent

As we enter the Lenten season of 40 days of reflection and self-examination to prepare our hearts and minds for Good Friday and Easter, I invite you to think about another season of preparation in our Church calendar: Advent. The theme for this year's Advent Devotional is the final fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control. During Lent, people often give something up or add a spiritual discipline to their daily lives. This can require great self-control to accomplish this for 40 days. Please consider writing a devotion about self-control as you journey through these 40 days. Have questions? Contact Mary Jane McCluskey, 717/873-6434 (c) or mimccluskey@comcast.net

# FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

4 Pages of the Sermon Wednesday April 6, 20 & 27 @ 7:00 PM

Pastor Richard's class meets via Zoom. Watch Facebook for the link.





#### Sundays, April 10 & 24 10:00 AM Facebook Live

This will be a forum to ask the questions you've always been curious about. Pastor Adam will be answering a submitted question.

#### Life with Jesus Sundays 9:00 AM—9:45AM

Life is complicated, but we don't live it alone. Come, discuss, and explore the ways the life and teaching of Jesus connect with our lives today. through the lens of the Sermon on the Mount.





Adult Bible Study Sundays 9:00 AM—9:45AM

This group is reading through the Bible. Join them in Zion's Parlor!

#### Lunch Bunch Wednesday, April 20 12:00 PM

Join Zion's Lunch Bunch at the Lyndon Diner for a time of food, fellowship and fun—
You are Welcome!



#### Give Local York May 6



This is a day set aside to support York county non-profits. In 2021, Give Local York made history by raising \$3.7 MILLION for more than 300 nonprofits in our community...during a time of unprecedented uncertainty. This year Zion would like to help promote the local charities that Zion members are affiliated with that are participating in Give Local York. If you are affiliated with a local non-profit and would

like your organization listed in the announcement, please email Denise at <a href="mailto:dmoyer@zionyork.org">dmoyer@zionyork.org</a> by April 15th. Zion will be encouraging the Zion family to support local non-profit organizations through advertising in the May Herald and announcing in service April 30/May 1st.

#### Women's Retreat

"Let Go, But Hang on to the Source" - Let go of what? Anger. Frustration. Fear. Worry. Anxiety. Stress. Conflict. - any negative emotion. How? Connect with the source from where all our strength comes — God. Have you already tried to do that? Let's go deeper. Join in the Women's Retreat!

When: Thurs., April 28- Sun., May 1, 2022 (Main event Sat., April 30) Where: Camp Nawakwa, Arendtsville, PA. (Overnight in Zinn-Tozer Lodge.)

**Cost**: 3 nights - \$125; 2 nights - \$90; 1 night - \$55; Day - \$20 (Payment due at retreat.)

Theme verse: Ephesians 3:20 "Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."  $\Box R = A \Box$ 

Interested? Contact Deb Anderson by text or phone call: 717-891-8433; or email <a href="mailto:dba456@live.com">dba456@live.com</a>. (You will receive more detailed information closer to time.)

<u>Note</u>: If local health concerns rise, we will not hold an overnight event, but will strive to hold an outdoor event.

## SpiriTrust Lutheran

South Central Pennsylvania

## Mother's Day Geranium Sale

Benefits the work of The Auxiliary to Lutheran Services York Center

- ♦ Colors available: Red, Salmon and White
- ♦ Cost: \$4.00 per plant
- ♦ Order deadline: Sunday, April 3rd
- ♦ Pick up date: Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>
  - 11AM-NOON
- ◆ Payment at Pick-Up Make checks payable to Zion Lutheran Church



## Support the Auxiliary by adding \$4 or more to your order!

I am orderir	ıg:	
	_ Red @ \$4.00	\$
	_ Salmon @ \$4.00	\$
	_ White @ \$4.00	\$
	_ SpiriTrust Support (\$4+)	\$
	Total	\$
Name		
Phone		

Place order form in designated box at Information Booth or email order to diana.mohn@lpl.com. Any questions or concerns, contact Diana Mohn (717-880-3220)

#### THE WELCOME TABLE

This is a segment we include in our monthly newsletter and weekly emails to recognize our new members, baptism, marriage, births and deaths. Notify us of any of these at info@zionyork.org.

Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God.

Luke 13:29

All are welcome, friend and stranger at the banquet of the Savior All are welcome, all are welcome here

"All are Welcome" by Dakota Road

Imagine a long, expansive, banquet table, with a place for everyone at the table. No one is turned away; everyone will enjoy the feast. This is a powerful image of life as people of God. All are welcome- there is always room at the table.

Guiding Principle #1 for our congregation is: As the Body of Christ, we welcome, accept and embrace everyone. With that in mind, we rejoice to be together at the table of our Lord.

We also give thanks to God that the expanse of God's table is without end. We trust in the promise of eternal life for those who have died:

Jeffrey L. Dennis as we pray for his daughter Amy Gerhart September 1, 1951 – February 21, 2022



#### Money, Money!

How does Zion do good work in our Church, in the community, and pay the bills? With money that comes through your offerings. Every Sunday, 2 volunteers count the offering. This takes about 1 hour. Do you have an hour once a month, or even occasionally to help count the offering? Training provided! Contact Lori Heathcote <a href="mailto:lheathcote@treavelleaders.com">lheathcote@treavelleaders.com</a> or call the Church office.

### Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 15, 2022

**Present:** Ricardo Aguilar, Kim Alloway, Annie Connolly, Andrew Doerr, Trevor Hoffman, Pastor Janyce Jorgensen, Jill Lordan, Wade Markel, Denise Moyer, Jim Rowlands, Amy Schanbacher, Tim Smith, Krista Meluzio-Zellers.

**Excused:** Al Abruzzese, Regina Peckmann

**Devotions:** The meeting opened with a devotion by Kim Alloway on Luke 3-4 using "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord from Godspell on John the Baptist and preparing the way for the Lord. Next month's devotion will be by Ricardo Aguilar on Luke 5 & 6.

**Thank You Card:** Thank you cards to be sent to the CARE team by Krista, Jill and Ricardo. Thank you letters for donations were received from Olivia's House and the Synod Tutoring Program.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the January 18, 2022 meeting were submitted by Jim Rowlands. The minutes were approved as presented on motion by Trevor Hoffman, seconded by Andrew Doerr.

**Treasurer's Report:** Wade Markel presented a preliminary January, 2022 treasurer report. There was a misunderstanding on entering Joyful Noise income. He will e-mail out a corrected report for approval.

Investment Treasurer Report: Trevor Hoffman submitted the January, 2022 report. \$4,800 was added to the Columbarium Designated Fund from the sale of niches. The 2021 earnings from the Restricted funds were allocated as directed by the fund documents. Jim Rowlands made a motion to move the 2021 proceeds from the Rupert- Sunday school Bequest to the Current Sunday School account and the 2021 proceeds from the Lucy Shnyder Fund to be gifted to SpiriTrust Lutheran. The motion was seconded by Jill Lordan and passed. Jill Lordan made a motion to move the 2021 proceeds from the Rupert-Mission Bequest to the Domestic Missions Designated Fund and the 2021 proceeds from the Sultzbach Bequest to the Zion has Heart Current line item. The motion was seconded by Jim Rowlands and passed.

- **Membership Report:** Denise presented the attendance report.

  Pastor Jorgensen made a motion to accept Cheryl Kirby for membership. The motion was seconded by Jill Lordan and passed.
- Pastor Janyce Jorgensen's Report: Pastor Jorgensen submitted a written report. Instead of the usual format, her report was a continuation of the New Council Member Orientation. She explained the four areas at the heart of congregational leadership.
- CYFM Report: Chuck Bissell submitted a written report which was highlighted by Annie Connolly. The 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis has been canceled. Chuck is working on an alternative, either a service work trip to Minneapolis or somewhere on the East Coast. The council held preliminary discussions on providing financial assistance for this trip since the youth have raised money for the National Gathering for the past two years.
- Parish Administrator's Report: Denise Moyer submitted a written report. There are 3 JEMS scholarships to be awarded. Jim Rowlands made a motion that each scholarship be for \$250. The motion was seconded by Andrew Doerr and passed.

#### **Old Business**

- ERTC Status No word on the application.
- Return Task Force Jim Rowlands presented a summary of the group's February meeting. The case numbers look very good. There has been no additional guidance issued by the Synod. The task force recommended resuming congregational singing with masks as soon as it can be coordinated with the musicians. The task force also recommended returning the balance of the seating to the sanctuary, with a goal of completion by Ash Wednesday. The task force also recommended switching from the sealed communion cups to pre-filled Zion owned communion glasses. There are some logistics to be worked out, but we are heading in that direction. The task force is working on ideas how to get people back in the habit of church!
- Performance Reviews reviews are ongoing.

- Employee Handbook Denise sent copies of the handbook out by email. She covered the highlights. Council is to review, comment and prepare to vote for implementation at next month's meeting.
- Goals from Retreat Stencils were installed in the narthex.

#### **New Business**

- Phone Calls to Families We still need some people to complete the shared Google Document to analyze the responses from the calls.
- Signers for PNC Accounts Trevor Hoffman made a motion that Wade Markel, Treasurer; Trevor Hoffman, Investment Treasurer; and Jim Rowlands, secretary and past president be designated as signers for all PNC accounts. The motion was seconded by Wade Markel and passed unanimously.
- Synod Assembly Zion may designate three voting members to the assembly. The assembly will be virtual again this year and will be held on June 4 with Edification Day on June 3. Kim Alloway volunteered to be one of our representatives. Still looking for a male, and someone with a diverse background.
- Council Sponsored Easter Morning Breakfast The council decided to resume the Easter morning tradition although it will be held following the 8:00 service instead of following the sunrise service.
- Zion 175th anniversary Zion received a congratulatory letter from the synod for our anniversary. The committee which had been working on the occasion has been re-activated.
- Pastor Jorgensen's Sabbatical Pastor Jorgensen is still looking for coverage for her time away. The sabbatical will be delayed until June at this point.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 9:05 on motion by Jill Lordan, seconded by Ricardo Aguilar.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Rowlands.

#### **CONGREGATION COUNCIL**

Pastor Janyce C. Jorgensen

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