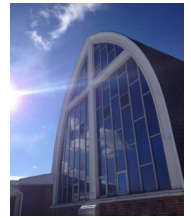




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November newsletter

From the Pastor's Desk ...

-Some Thoughts about Working Together

"A boy and his father were walking along a road when they came across a large stone. The boy said to his father, "Do you think if I use all my strength, I can move this rock?" His father answered, "If you use all your strength, I am sure you can do it." The boy began to push the rock. Exerting himself as much as he could, he pushed and pushed. The rock did not move.

Discouraged, he said to his father, "You were wrong, I can't do it." The father placed his arm around the boy's shoulder and said, "No, son, you didn't use all your strength - you didn't ask me to help."

-David J. Wolpe "Teaching Your Children About God"

Sometimes we get caught up in the business of self-sufficiency. Asking for help is seen as a sign of weakness or defeat. Yet God created us to live in community, to bear one another's burdens and join together in times of joy and sorrow. When we turn our backs on this desire of God by trying to face all of our trials alone, we give up one of our greatest resources of strength.

One of the reasons I love the Church is that it is one place where people come together to pray for one another, support one another, celebrate with one another, and help one another by sharing their strength. In an age of individualism, the Church stands as a wonderful alternative presence, calling people to come together in love and serve each other and the world. The Church calls on us to use all of our strength to love God and neighbor and in the process we receive the strength we need to face the world each day from our forever loving God. We only need to remember to ask, and God will help.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Burkhardt

Got a question, ... need to talk?

The office door is open and the phone is working.

November 2025

Our Services

Sundays

10:30am

Liturgical Worship
with Holy Communion
Virtual via Facebook Live

*A bulletin can be found to
follow along with worship on
our website at
www.mtzionnyork.org.*

November Events

Nov. 2—Worship with Holy
Communion 10:30 AM

Nov 5 - Bible Study 12:30
and 6:00

Nov 8 - Church Clean-up
10 AM

Nov 9 - Pastor Bob's last
Worship with Holy
Communion 10:30 AM

Nov 9 - Handbell mtng 9:45

Nov 9 - Spiritual Growth
11:30

Nov 12 - Bible Study

Nov 16 - Pastor Debbie
leads Worship with
Holy Communion

Nov 16 - Council Meeting

Nov 19 - Bible Study 12:30
and 6:00 PM

Nov 23 - Worship with Holy
Communion 10:30 AM

Nov 23 - Congregational
Meeting 11:45

Nov 23 - Thanksgiving
Dinner 3-5 PM

Nov 26 - Bible Study 12:30
and 6:00 PM

Nov 30 - Worship with Holy
Communion 10:30 AM

OUR MISSION

To spread the Gospel in accordance with God's plan by ministering to the spiritual and human needs of all people through our gifts, talents and our love in Jesus Christ.



Greetings from your Church Council

1. Great News #1 - On October 5 the members of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church approved by vote to ask Pastor Debbie (The Reverend Deborah Shearer - Mahady) to become our Minister of Word and Sacrament and she accepted. She will start on November 10, 2025.
2. Good news #2 - The new Sound System was installed. The sound was very much improved on Sunday. Unfortunately, we still have internet problems with the computer so those at home were not able to enjoy the whole experience. We continue to work on this. Keep those fingers crossed.
3. Council approved a fix for the soffit around the education wing. The soffit will be replaced by Shiloh Roofing as it was coming loose, and birds had started to build nests between the soffit and the roof.
- 4.. A Goodbye for Pastor Bob will be held on November 9th after the 10:30 service. Light snacks and beverages will be available in the parlor/conference room.
5. A Welcome for Pastor Debbie will be held on November 16 after the 10:30 service. Light snacks and beverages will be available in the parlor/conference room
6. The Annual Congregational Meeting will be November 23 after the 10:30 service. Watch for mailings or emails with the information. There are several subjects that will need discussion and the 2026 budget needs to be approved.
7. The Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be November 23 from 1 - 5 pm. Kathie Boop is collecting information on those wanting dinners. This is a community dinner so please feel free to check in with neighbors who may need a meal. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary for turkey donations and helpers with the meal.
8. We are still collecting quotes for the roof. There are leaks in the Sanctuary on the left-hand side by the pastor's chair and the first pew and in the sacristy. This will be a discussion at the congregational meeting.
9. Several members have volunteered to help with the worship service. Erin will be contacting you to set up training sessions.
10. We have several names to vote on for Council members in 2026. If you are interested in being part of your church Council, please let Ellen Gibb know.
11. In reviewing the Flower Chart for 2025, flower bouquets were paid for every week except four. Thank you, thank you for your support financially and helping to spread cheer with the flowers.

Have a blessed November. Safe travels if you are out and about. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving/ Friendsgiving with family or friends this month.

Ellen

Council President



Order your 2025 **Poinsettias** before November 25th.
The order forms are on the rear table.





Financial Report—November 2025 Newsletter

From online bank report: As of October 23, 2025

FULTON BANK:

Administrative Checking Account \$ 2,265.24

Special Needs Checking Account \$ 27,192.56

Received Fulton Loan proceeds for Sound System \$20K

Rental Property Checking Account \$ 3,633.35

Pastor's Discretionary Fund Checking \$ 167.51

CITIZENS' BANK:

Money Market Account @ 3.08% \$ 15,073.31

Memorial CD 6 mos @4% \$ 90,601.81

Business Checking Account .02% \$ 3,050.00

Food Bank: October MTD: Deposits \$ 475 Expenses \$ 250 Balance \$ 954.08

As of October 23, 2025 Summary (from PowerChurch**)

**PowerChurch is the computer program used for financial entries and reports.

Contributions to Sound System for October \$ 548 Monthly Budget \$ 867

PLEASE USE GREEN ENVELOPE FOR YOUR \$5 PER WEEK OFFERING FOR THE SOUND SYSTEM

Total Contributions - Offering/Electronic October 19th \$ 1,455.59 Weekly Budget \$ 3,430

Bills not cleared bank: \$2,443.19 Outstanding October bills: \$ 14,350.10

Thank you for taking the time to remember our consecrated commitment we made in November '24. As God keeps His promises to us, we keep our promises to Him.

If you have any questions, please see Kathy Swords, or email at mtzionyorktreasurer@gmail.com or 717-503-0527 (cell)

Ways of Giving



Mount Zion Lutheran Church

God's Work, Our Hands

Your gift, Your choice

Direct: Cash or check donations placed into the offering plates are always appreciated!

Banking: Look into how your personal bank account as some banks mail offerings to the church from accounts directly. Some programs are free and included with particular accounts.

Online: Make a donation on our website: www.mtzionyork.org

Text: Make a donation via Text message! Text to: (717) 537-9088

Simply text an amount (no dollar sign needed) to the number above and follow the prompts to complete your donation!

Give+ App: Search "Give Plus" on your phone App Store, download and find Church name by ZIP code, 17406

Thank you for your generous support!

We are starting the search for new Council members. Mt. Zion will be entering an exciting time with celebrating the 175th anniversary of the church and hopefully welcoming a new pastor. Please prayerfully consider joining the Council. We would like to add three to four new members. Responsibilities include:

1. Attend 1 regular meeting a month (currently we meet after church on the 3rd Sunday)
2. Attend special meetings as needed
3. Be the council liaison for a committee
4. Be willing to talk to members so that you can be a representative of the congregation
5. Participate in meetings, sharing your thoughts, opinions
6. Serve as cashier on Sunday morning about every 6 weeks (make sure offering gets to the counters, turn off all lights, lock all doors.)

If you need more information or have questions, please see Ellen Gibb.

Our church is a vital part of our community and our spiritual home. To keep it a welcoming and healthy space for everyone, we're organizing a special cleaning day! We will be working inside and outside: cleaning up the flowerbeds and yard, dusting and washing the surfaces in the worship area, organizing the sacristy, filing music in the choir room, cleaning up the kitchen, etc. All levels of help are needed. Please join us November 8 at 10AM. We will meet in the nave to divide tasks. Wear comfortable clothes and sturdy shoes, gloves and a positive spirit and readiness to work with others!

Your efforts are a testament to your love for our church and ensure a clean, healthy environment for worship and fellowship. Many hands make light work! If you have any questions, please contact Erin or Ellen. We look forward to working together!

Coffee and Catch-up

Please join us from 9:30-10:10 on the last Sunday of each month. There is a sign-up on the bulletin board to bring breakfast items to share. Enjoy some breakfast items and conversation with other members of the congregation.

Please come and join us and start your day in a brew-tiful way!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are always looking for more worship volunteers in the following capacities:

Usher: Greet worshipers with a friendly smile as they enter the sanctuary and direct them to pick up a bulletin before finding their seat before the service, and provide direction during communion from the pews to the rail.

Lector: Read the lessons and psalm of the day. Lessons are provided for you to practice ahead of time.

Lay Assistant: Assist Pastor in leading worship by reading the prayers and serving the wine at communion.

Communion Assistant: Light/extinguish candles, receive the offering plate, and assist with the distribution of communion by dismissing congregants from the rail to return to their seats.

Altar Guild: Prepare for communion before the service, and clean-up after the service. Those interested can sign up on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary, one week at a time, as often as you would like.



The schedule for worship volunteers (with the exception of altar guild) is done 3 months at a time, with the next schedule starting in December. Please prayerfully consider serving in one or more of these ways. If you are interested, please see Ellen Gibb to be added to the next schedule and to arrange a time to be trained and answer questions.

From the Pantry

Mt Zion Pantry thanks you for your continued support. You helped 26 clients (over 97 family members) in September with food and personal care items and gift cards to LifePath Thrift Stores.

These folks are thankful and expressed their gratitude. If you would like to see this for yourself, please call Kathie Boop (717) 855-6763 to volunteer. It's only a two-hour commitment.

If you or someone you know is in need, please call the PANTRY at (717) 680-3789 to schedule an appointment.

Mt Zion Food Pantry List

Packaged Items

Jiffy Cornbread Mix

Instant Mashed Potatoes

Stovetop Stuffing

Knorr Rice – varieties

Knorr Pasta – varieties

Macaroni & Cheese

Rice-A-Roni – Chicken

Rice-A-Roni - Beef

Rice-A-Roni – Spanish

Cereal

Instant Oatmeal –

boxes with individual

Packets

Pasta Items

Spaghetti

Shells

Elbows

Penne

Ramen Noodles – chicken

Canned Soup

Cream of Mushroom

Cream of Chicken

Chicken Noodle or

Vegetable

THE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

There are 3 ways to help with the pantry:

1. See the attached list, for the list of items the pantry uses on a regular basis. These items can be donated at any time.
2. You can donate money to the pantry at any time. Just label the monetary donation as for the pantry.
3. You can volunteer for 2 hours on a Friday or Saturday morning to help in the pantry. Call the pantry at (717) 680-3789 and leave a message, or contact Kathie Boop at (717) 855-6763

We continue to appreciate your monetary donations! Thank you so much for your support.

Ways to Help the Pantry

- Donate your **paper** shopping/grocery bags to the pantry.
- We continue to look for volunteers to work a 2 hour shift, with a current volunteer - you won't be on your own! - to greet people and help bag groceries. No heavy lifting!
- Donate items to LifePath Thrift Stores and mention Mt Zion. We get gift cards that our pantry clients can use to purchase items at LifePath Stores. (see p. 8)

Contact Kathie Boop 717-855-6763

Thank you to those who continue to donate at the Life Path Thrift stores and mentioned Mt. Zion or Kathy Gable's phone # (717-318-9041) to give Mt Zion credit for the donation. The pantry patrons are so appreciative for the gift cards to use at LifePath stores!

We now have more gift cards from LifePath to share with the pantry patrons!!!



2025 Membership Directory

Updated copies of the directory are available on the table at the back of the church.

*If you have any changes in your information, please email Kathy at mtzionlutheranyork@gmail.com.

DO YOU KNOW A SHUT-IN?

We are updating our list of those who are homebound, shut-in, or otherwise unable to attend our services. If you, or someone you know, fall into one of these categories, please call the church office and leave a message for Kathy Gable, or email her at mtzionlutheranyork@gmail.com.

Senior Choir Rehearsal Dates

Nov 2- 9:30 AM practice -we sing during offering and run through Advent and Christmas Eve music

Nov 16- 9:30 AM- rehearsal for Advent and Christmas Eve

Nov 23-9:30 AM rehearsal- this is also the congregational meeting date

Dec 7- 9:30 AM practice -rehearsing Advent and Christmas Eve

Dec 21-9:30 AM - singing that Sunday during offering

Dec 24- 3 PM- warm up for Christmas Eve- music starts by 3:45PM service at 4PM

ALTAR FLOWERS

We are accustomed to seeing flowers on the altar every Sunday throughout the year except during Advent and Lent. These flowers are not simply

decorations; they are an integral part of our worship that help to draw our attention to the focal point of the chancel area — the Altar. They serve as a reminder of God's creation and the bounty of His handiwork. That said, it is time to fill in the list for 2026.

Sponsoring these flowers is very simple:

1. Decide when you want to sponsor altar flowers, one week or multiple weeks; it's not necessary to have a specific reason, but if you do, simply indicate that on an order form always available in the pocket under "Flowers" on the bulletin board in the hallway beside Pastor's office.
2. Choose as many dates as you wish. If you have no specific dates in mind, simply indicate that you want to sponsor a Sunday, or again, any number of Sundays.
3. Complete the order form, making sure to include your envelope number, a check for the amount ordered, and place it in a green envelope, or in your regular weekly envelope, and put it in either the offering box or offering plate. COST OF FLOWERS: \$35 FOR EACH VASE.

Each year there are 44 Sundays when we have flowers on the altar. Sponsoring these flowers is a perfect way to honor God and show that you understand and value stewardship to the church.

If you have questions or need help deciding when or how to sponsor flowers, talk with Dale Good after worship, or call or text him at (717) 880-3853. If you call, please leave a message if you do not get an immediate answer.

*Note—the sign-up has moved to the bulletin board in the hallway beside Pastor's office.



Grace and Peace to you my brothers and sisters in Christ.

As I write this greeting to you, it is a short two and a half weeks remaining in ministry at Grace Lutheran before I begin my ministry with all of you. I am excited and ready to begin a new chapter in my life and to see where God will call us. I am grateful for the opportunity you have extended to me to serve you as your spiritual guide, and the trust you have invested in me to grow in faith, hope, and love together.

Here is just a little bit about my life. I was born in Allentown. Raised in Milton, PA. After graduating high school, I was an exchange student in Germany. After that, I studied accounting at Indiana University of PA and accepted my first job as an auditor with Ernst and Young. After 20+ years of working as an accountant for an architectural and electrical engineering company, I received a call to ministry.

Even though I had always been involved in church life, it came as a surprise that God should call me into ministry. I had attended worship, Sunday school, and youth group all throughout my early years. In high school, I played the piano occasionally for the choir and shared my first sermon when I was a senior. I taught Sunday School to all ages, volunteered in many VBS programs, helped out in the kitchen and with other church events. You name it; I probably did it. I even started a 3-4 year old Sunday school class when others said it couldn't be done.

By the grace of God, I finished seminary in seven years going part-time. And in 2010 received my first call to Filey's Lutheran Church, Dillsburg. The week of my installation, a lightning bolt struck the bell tower and burnt down the church. It was trial by fire. But God is good, and with my accounting background and familiarity with architecture and electrical engineering, I was able to lead the congregation through the building of a safer and more accessible building for the people, the daycare, and the nursery school.

Unfortunately, after 13 years of serving them, finances became an issue. So, God sent me to my next call at Grace Lutheran Church, Red Lion where I've served for three and a half years. Now, God has me on a new journey with you, ready to begin our work together, loving the Lord, living out our baptismal promises, and following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ in ministry and mission.

A little bit about my family. My husband's name is Paul. I have three children - my eldest, Brandon, who is deceased; my daughter, Gretchen; and our youngest, Nick. But I can't leave out our four-legged family members: one dog (Riley), three cats (Peanutbutter, Jelly, and Bean), and five rabbits (Cauliflower, Chestnut, Leo, Mama, and Sprinkles). Yes, it is a zoo at my house, but all of God's creatures live in harmony with each other and us. As if I don't get enough from my animals, I also volunteer at Starry Night Alpaca Farm on Saturday mornings, caring for the alpacas. You might even see some of these creatures show up at church sometime.

Now you know a bit about me, and I can't wait to meet all of you and hear about your lives, your stories, and how you came to worship at Mount Zion.

God bless us all as we enter into this new adventure together, and may God guide our steps and lead us to paths where we can make the most out of the love, compassion, and grace God has first given us. I hope you are as excited about the possibilities as I am. It sounds cliché, but together we can make a difference in this world which so desperately needs what we have to offer – a relationship with God and the unconditional love of God.

See you all soon,

Fondly,

Pastor Debbie

November Prayer Ventures

These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.

1 All Saints Day Today we remember, honor and pray for saints, those people of faith in the cloud of witnesses — past and present, known and unknown — who have died and now rest in the mercy of God.

2 All Saints Sunday Who have you lost in your life? A family member, spouse, friend, neighbor, co-worker, a fellow congregant? Reflect on their significance in your life and community, and give thanks, praying that their memory and influence endure.

3 “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you” (Luke 6:27-28). Ask God for the faith and courage to follow Jesus when he implores us to resist human nature and social influences that drive us to vengeance, malice and judgment. Pray that our words, actions and decisions reflect God’s boundless love for us—for humanity.

4 Pray for the Spirit to temper our emotions and actions when we experience conflicts of opinions, values, religious belief or political ideology. Ask God to help us relate to one another without violence or belligerence—despite our differences—and to engage one another with attention, respect, attentive listening, dialogue and, when possible, reconciliation and compromise.

5 The Rev. Lucille “CeCee” Mills is the new secretary of the ELCA. Ask the Spirit to strengthen and prepare Rev. Mills for her ministry of supporting and equipping ELCA leaders in congregations, synods and the churchwide organization.

6 Praise God for helping us respond with love and generosity to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. Give thanks for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, a ministry of our church that manages our generosity, resources and partnerships with other organizations for maximum immediate and long-term impacts.

7 Give thanks to God for the promise of an eternal inheritance, attained not by the quality of our faith or good deeds but through God’s undeserved gift of love and redemption through Jesus Christ, our one true Savior.

8 “Dear Lord God, I want to preach so that you are glorified. I want to speak of you, praise you, praise your name. Although I probably cannot make it turn out well, won’t you make it turn out well?” (Martin Luther). Pray that we will have an unquenchable desire to tell others about our faith and God’s boundless love—in our own words, inspired by the Spirit.

9 We are children of God and children of the resurrection! Pray for the Spirit to help us comprehend and celebrate our life in Christ, which is not limited to our short life on earth but extends into eternity with God.

10 Remember in prayer those attending the Outdoor Ministries Connection Great Gathering in Lake Junaluska, N.C., an ecumenical conference for outdoor ministry leaders and board members to help them strengthen their networks, develop their skills and be inspired for ministry with children, youth and adults.

11 Veterans Day Remember and pray for military veterans who have engaged in the causes of pursuing peace and justice, defending freedom and responding to natural disasters. Give thanks for their sacrifices and service on our behalf.

12 Pray for the ELCA Church Council as it gathers to advise, guide and support our churchwide organization in its mission and presence in the world to spread the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

13 Pray for those who suffer memory loss and dementia, and for the spouses, families and others who surround them with love, care and support. Give thanks for health care workers and care providers involved in memory care,

treatment and research.

14 “As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent. My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped” (Psalm 17:4-5). Pray that it be so!

15 Pray for the families and spouses of veterans and those currently serving our country in the military, that their faith will be strong and resilient, they are supported during times of deployment and that they are surrounded by gratitude and encouragement.

16 Pray that our faith in God’s enduring promises about our future is strong and that we respond to God’s persistent call to share the good news of Jesus Christ, to love and serve our neighbors. Ask the Spirit to free us from fixation, fear, prediction of signs and speculation about when and how Jesus will return, bringing God’s kingdom to Earth.

17 Pray for the Spirit to teach and embolden us to be tireless advocates and bearers of peace, mercy and compassion into our communities, nation and world.

18 Pray for the ELCA initiative Sumud: For Justice in Palestine and Israel. Ask God to bless and further its work with partners in the Holy Land and congregations in the United States to accompany Palestinians and Israelis in establishing and supporting the justice required for peace.

19 How has God’s presence and activity in the world surprised you? Pray that we might open our hearts and minds to work of the Spirit that we don’t expect, imagine or even understand.

20 Praise God for the 20 new ELCA missionaries now serving alongside our global companions in 11 countries as pastors, teachers, Horizon International interns, ministry coordinators and other roles.

21 “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord” (Psalm 98:4-6). Let joy and praise permeate your prayers today. Acknowledge God as the source of all good things, especially the boundless, life-giving love we experience through Jesus Christ.

22 Give thanks to God and pray for those who attend to our physical, emotional, social and spiritual health, helping us to live life as fully as possible: doctors, nurses, medical technicians, hospice workers, researchers, pharmacists, therapists, social workers and others.

23 Lift up prayers of thanksgiving for 25 years of the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program, which has sent over a thousand young adults on yearlong journeys of global fellowship, ministry and service with our companion ministries. Pray that we continue to generously support for the YAGM program, that it might thrive as young adults continue to do God’s work in the world.

24 In 2024, 673 million people in the world faced hunger; 2.3 billion people experienced moderate or severe food insecurity; and 2.6 billion people could not afford a healthy diet. Pray for our neighbors here and throughout the world who suffer hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. Ask the Spirit to inspire us to support and join existing endeavors and to develop new ministries that will provide relief and address the root causes of hunger.

25 Ask God to help us be grateful, wise and effective stewards of creation, understanding our connection to all living things and teaching others to care for our environment and natural resources — life-sustaining gifts from God entrusted to our use and care.

26 Give thanks for ELCA World Hunger, Lutheran Disaster Response, the Lutheran World Federation and other partner agencies that work on our behalf to address the causes of hunger and poverty worldwide and to provide our neighbors with relief, care, support and hope.

27 Thanksgiving Day Praise God for the gifts that sustain our body and spirit — food, shelter, family, friends, faith communities, the bounty of creation, God’s love and forgiveness, and so much more. Remember and give thanks for those who plant, cultivate, harvest, prepare and deliver the food that nourishes us.

28 Pray for our neighbors and siblings in Christ who lack safe shelter and wonder how their basic, daily needs will be met. Ask God to help us be attentive to their immediate and long-term needs and be diligent in seeking solutions to the dearth of affordable housing and access to social services in our communities — solutions that respect the value, rights and dignity of our neighbors in need.

29 “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” (Philippians 4:6). Have faith that God listens to prayerful conversations that express our gratitude, needs, worries, questions, excitement and hopes — today and every day!

30 First Sunday of Advent Pray that, in the upcoming month, we will turn our attention to anticipating and rejoicing in the gift of God’s son, Jesus Christ, brought into the world to shine a light on God’s awesome love and forgiveness.

We have a new way to help our food pantry.

Mt Zion is now a partner in LifePath Christian Ministries’ Corners of Your Field program.

Leviticus 22:23—When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap the edges of your field, nor gather the gleanings of your harvest; you are to leave them for the poor and for the stranger.

LifePath converts donations of clothing or household items into gift cards. These cards can be redeemed at any LifePath thrift store. We have been handing these cards out to our pantry clients, congregation members or to anyone in need.

Drop off donations at any LifePath thrift store

*2414 Eastern Blvd. York, PA 17402

*241 Pauline Dr. York, PA 17402

*367 W. Market St. York, PA 17401

Schedule a free donation pickup for larger items.

Remember to mention Mt Zion when you donate!



Mt. Zion Prayer List



Continue to pray for: Raven Ambrose, Bonita Anderson, Fran Anderson, Jerry Arnold, Shannon Arnold, Janet Shermyer Berkheimer, Lauren Beyer, Jacklyn Billet, James Billet, Mary Bishop, Mary Sue Bottstein, Joan Brenner, Joyce Brown, Ralph Brown, Robert Brown, Sarah Brown, Scott Brown, Ted Brown, Eric Bruner, Joseph Bruggerman, Julie Christy, Jess Combs, Phyllis Comery, Ian Conover, Billee Couch, Tim Couch, Lizzy Cowit, Steven Cowit, Tana Cox, Jason Crowley, Madeline Crowley, Lynn Deitzer, Winnie & Tom Demler, Dee DeVeney, Annie Diehl, Gerri Deller, Kendall Dellinger, Zoe Doll, Andrew Doughty, Joe Ellis, Carol Emswiler, Layla Esteves, Pastor Courtney Erzkus, Chris Farmer, Pam Fay, Dudley Fink, Jason Frederick, Martha Frederick, Scott Frederick, Jacinda Frigm, Gloriann Green, Rev. Donald Green, Lonnie Ginter, Ronnie Ginter Jr., Gina Goodrich, Linda Grone, Jeannie Grove, Bob Gundlach, Mary & Tom Haberkorn, Jay Hammel, Dolly Harbolt, Donna Hayes, Mike Healey, Alicia Hedrick, George Heller, Sharon Harvey, Brian Hinderer, Ruth Hoak, Linda Hodgson, Bob Hoffheins, Dennis Hummel, Christa Johnson, Colleen Jones, Gladysmae Keeney, Jolene Klinger, Gene Krisukas, Mike Kowslik, Sarah Kuhn, Kelly Lehr, Lou Ann Leibensperger, Jean Leiphart, Kacie Longenberger, Heather Luchka, Dick Lynn, Bob Lyon, Fran Marple, Brad March, Sharon March, Amy Martzall, Cindy McDaniel, Rose McGowan, Kenneth & Sue Miller, Sally Miller, Jennifer Mitterholtzer, Jodi Mitterholtzer, Matthew Mitterholtzer, Otto Mitterholtzer, Rebecca Mitterholtzer, E.T. Moore, Angy -Mike Mossengo, David Murphy, Sandy Murphy, Ellen Myers, Karen Naugle, Tom Needhum, Sandy Nelson, Nancy & Lou Orndorff, Deb Overly, Sue Pries, Ben Renner, Alison Reppert, Carrie Roman, Jeff Sargen, Kaeley Saylor, Craig Schaszberger, Joan Schildt, William Schmeed, Maxine & Larry Shaffer, Tom Shaffer, Max Shaul, Anthony Shaw, Zach Shiffer, Rick Shreve, Heather Smith, Condoda Smith-Boyle, Heidi Snyder, Thomas Somerville, Candy Stambaugh, Judy Stambaugh, Herb Stauffer, Bud Stevens, Carol Stickles, Lisa Striebig, Jennifer Torok, Debra Tracey, Micheal Tudino, Bernnie Truax, Jace Valenti, Jane Van Zant, David Walker, Andrew Walter, Ruth Ward, Bob Warren, Bonnie Warren, Bruce Weaver, Dodie Weaver, Victor White, Bob Wolf, Larry Wood, Donald Zepp, Rich Zerbe, Ben Zelinski, and the shut-in members of our parish.

The Prayer List is reviewed each month. Though names may remain on the prayer list for an unlimited time, periodic updates are appreciated. Contact KATHIE BOOP (717-855-6763) for any additions or subtractions from the prayer list. If a name has been mistakenly deleted, please notify KATHIE BOOP.

Parish Nurse Program

Questions? Contact Sue Luchka at (717) 434-9581.

Parish Nurse Corner

Updates:

- We had an AED training in October. We will have another training in January 2026 (I am avoiding the start of the holiday season).
- I added a pair of Trauma Scissors to the side pocket of the AED to make clothing removal easier during an emergency.
- I am currently revising the First Aid Kit in the Conference Room closet - I will keep you updated!

A question that has come up a couple times is: What do we do if an emergency occurs during Church?

I have spoken with Pastor Burkhardt and our new pastor, "Pastor Debbie." Both agree that the service will "pause" while the situation is assessed.

If possible, the patient will be removed to the back of the sanctuary but **only if it is possible.**

However, the service will continue after the "initial pause." The Pastor will lead the congregation in prayer for the patient and the caregivers.

Anyone not involved with care of the patient will go back of the pew they were sitting in and participate in the service.

If possible the Usher(s) or a designee will call 911 and obtain the AED and First Aid kit (this is an easy rolling case to assist in anyone being able to access the kit easily.)

*As we move forward I will update you with changes!

Have a wonderful month!

**Parish Nurse
Sue Luchka**

2025 Poinsettia Order Form



Name _____

All flowers are RED with GREEN foil

The price is \$9.00/plant

ORDER _____ @ \$9.00 = \$ _____

In Honor/Memory/To the Glory of God (circle choice and write in name(s))

Make checks payable to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church and include this form with your check IN A GREEN ENVELOPE MARKED "POINSETTIA ORDER" and place it in the offering plate.



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